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ZINOVIEFF LETTER DISCLOSURES.

RAMSAY MACDONALD'S VINDICATION.

DAILY MAIL'S BIG INFLUENCE IN PUBLICATION.

TELEPHONE MESSAGE.

London, Mar. 4. In consequence of a letter in this morning's *Observer*, in the course of which Sir Thomas Marlowe, the former editor of the *Daily Mail*, explains that the *Daily Mail* received a copy of the notorious Zinovieff Letter from two different sources on October 23rd, 1924, but in which he emphatically exonerates Mr. J. D. Gregory, a statement has been issued to the Press by Mr. Ramsay MacDonald.

Mr. Ramsay MacDonald was the Premier at the time of the publication of the Zinovieff Letter, and he points out that Sir Thomas Marlowe's letter shows conclusively that there was a conspiracy, and that the origin of the Zinovieff letter was probably a fake, but certainly its use was a fraud.

Avoiding Publication?

In his letter to the *Observer*, Sir Thomas Marlowe relates that he received a telephone message from a friend that a document "showing the relations between the Bolsheviks and the British Labour leaders," had been circulated to the Foreign Office, the Home Office, the Admiralty and the War Office.

The friend stated that Mr. Ramsay MacDonald knew all about it, but was trying to avoid publication.

Subsequently, says Sir Thomas Marlowe, he received two copies of the letter separately from other friends, and he relates how, when he learned that the letter was being published in the Press, Sir Eyre Crowe decided to publish it officially.

Not a Penny Paid.

Sir Thomas Marlowe says he has never seen Mr. J. D. Gregory, nor had he had any connexion with him. He never paid Mr. Gregory or any one else a penny for the Zinovieff Letter.

Mr. Ramsay MacDonald makes it quite clear that he does not believe that the Zinovieff Letter was communicated to any outside body by anyone inside the Foreign Office, or by any other Department which received a copy of the letter from the Foreign Office.

Political Fraud.

In his opinion, the letter passed into the hands of politicians who took the chance of rousing the country upon fraudulent issues.

He feels that the Foreign Office officials erred in their judgment. He is unable to understand why he was not informed by telephone that the *Daily Mail* had secured copies of the letter and intended to publish it, or why he was not informed that the Foreign Office proposed to send a Note to M. Rakowsky.

Mr. Ramsay MacDonald concludes that he never formed any definite conclusion about the Zinovieff Letter, but the important point to be considered was not its authenticity, but the use to which it was put.—*Reuter*.

Commons Debate.

London, Mar. 4. Matters raised in the report of the Board of Inquiry into the allegations regarding civil servants during the hearing of "the France case" will be debated in the Commons some time after the return from Geneva of the Foreign Secretary, Sir Austen Chamberlain.

It is anticipated that the Labour Party will direct particular attention to the Zinovieff letter incident which was referred to in the report, but the newspapers believe the Prime Minister will decline the demand for a further inquiry into the incidents connected with the letter and the publication of it in the Press together with the Note of protest sent to Rakowsky, then representative in London. (Continued on Page 14.)

CAR FALLS INTO HARBOUR.

PULLS INDIAN CONSTABLE IN AS WELL.

SEQUEL TO CURIOSITY.

Observing a motor-car without an attendant standing in Connaught Road, to the east of the Canton Steamboat Wharf, last night, an Indian constable, named Kasha Mahomed, approached the car and peered within. Curiosity prompted him to touch the machine, and the first thing he laid his hand on was the hand-brake, which he accidentally released.

The slight incline of the road towards the water's edge at this point, caused the car to back gradually into the Harbour. The constable, according to a police report, attempted to stop the car's progress and for that purpose he was tenaciously on to the vehicle, but before he could do anything, both he and the car toppled into the water.

Being a strong swimmer, the constable managed to get to safety, but the car remained in the water from 9.30 p.m. when the incident occurred, until shortly after 2 o'clock this morning, when it was raised.

The extent of the damage to the car is not yet established. An *Overland Whippet*, No. 288, it is almost new, having been on the road for four months only.

CATHOLIC PRIEST IN MEXICAN PLOT.

MURDER OF PRESIDENT AMONG PLANS.

Mexico City, Mar. 4.

The Police state that through the arrest of a Catholic priest named Osorio Leyva, they have discovered a wide spread plot to assassinate President Calles and General Obregon, the only candidate in the field to succeed President Calles in the presidential elections.

A quantity of literature urging Mexicans to revolt in the name of the League of the Defence of Religious Liberty is alleged to have been found in the priest's house.—*Reuter's American Service*.

JAPANESE PRINCESS SERIOUSLY ILL.

CONDITION SUDDENLY CRITICAL.

Tokyo, Mar. 4.

It is officially announced that the condition of the Princess Hisa, the youngest daughter of the Emperor, who was recovering from an attack of pneumonia, has suddenly become critical.—*Reuter*.

Princess Hisa is the younger of the two daughters of the Emperor and Empress of Japan, being born last year. The Emperor of Japan was married in 1924.

TANGIER PROBLEM.

POWERS GIVEN TO SPAIN IN AGREEMENT.

Madrid, Mar. 4.

A communique issued to-day states that the Tangier negotiations, which resulted in an agreement between France and Spain, turned mainly on the question of the powers to be given to Spain to prevent Tangier and the hinterland from being made the centre of contraband, disaffection and armed oppression against the Spanish Zone and Morocco generally.—*Reuter*.

LORD CHANCELLOR IMPROVED.

London, Mar. 4. The condition of the Lord Chancellor, Viscount Cave, following his recent operation, is reported to be more satisfactory.—*British Wireless*.

POLITICAL CRISIS IN EGYPT.

NEW BRITISH TREATY REJECTED.

SARWAT PASHA AND CABINET HAVE RESIGNED.

BITTER OPPOSITION.

Cairo, Mar. 4.

Sarwat Pasha, the Egyptian Premier, has resigned though it is understood that before he tendered his resignation, he informed Lord Lloyd, the British High Commissioner, that the Government had rejected the terms of the new Treaty with Great Britain.

The Egyptian Cabinet has resigned as the result of the dispute over the Treaty.

Since the conversations between Sir Austen Chamberlain and the Egyptian Premier in London during the summer, Sarwat Pasha has been scheming to erect sufficient support to withstand the expected attack by the extreme Nationalists.

The Stumbling Block.

He undoubtedly anticipated opposition to certain of the clauses of the proposed new Treaty, especially that relating to British military occupation for a further ten years, which is generally regarded as the main stumbling block.

It was expressed on all sides that Sarwat had since been playing for time by protracting the conversations through Lord Lloyd, hoping that he would be able to return to London in an endeavour to seek further concessions from Sir Austen Chamberlain.

Bitter Opposition.

Though the extreme Wafdists were bitterly opposed to Sarwat they did not appear inclined to shoulder the burden of office at the present juncture, and it was possible that the Treaty would have been rejected without a Ministerial crisis, if the Wafdists had not become convinced that Sarwat had not only had conversation with Sir Austen Chamberlain, but had actually agreed to the text of the Treaty.

The dissolution of Parliament is not unlikely.

Independence of Egypt.

It is understood that the Egyptian Cabinet has replied to Lord Lloyd stating that the terms of the proposed new Treaty are unacceptable as they are incompatible with the independence of Egypt.

It is contended that the terms implied the right of Great Britain to occupy Egypt, which the Cabinet is quite unable to admit.—*Reuter*.

Maintain the Old.

Paris, Mar. 3. Specially interviewed by *Reuter* while on route to Geneva, Sir Austen Chamberlain said it was now sufficiently clear that the Egyptian Government would not accept the treaty he had negotiated with Sarwat Pasha.

"It is a misfortune," he said, and added that British relations would continue to be regulated by the Declaration of 1922.—*Reuter*.

GENERAL ELECTION FORECAST.

PROBABLY BE HELD IN JUNE, 1929.

London, Mar. 4.

Viscount Younger, speaking at Kilmarnock last night, said that the General Election would not be held until after the Budget of 1929, probably in June of next year.

The financial position of the country had improved considerably, but the Chancellor of the Exchequer would not be able to do much to reduce taxation this year.—*British Wireless*.

TERRIFIC SEAS IN HARBOUR.

FOUR DROWNED IN EXCITING SCENES OFF HOLTS.

OVER 20 RESCUED.

Four lives were lost when, in rough weather prevailing on Saturday afternoon, a big wave swept over the bows of a coal lighter and carried away all on board.

Of 29 persons carried into the sea, four were drowned, while the remainder were rescued by passing launches. The accident occurred off Holt's Wharf and the calamity and the subsequent rescue work were witnessed as a thrilling incident by spectators on the waterfront and on a passing Star Ferry launch.

The lighter left Yau-mat in tow by the steam-launch *Tung Hing*, and at about one o'clock was passing Holt's Wharf when a remarkably heavy sea swept the lighter, and carried away a great part of 30 tons of coal as well as everyone on board.

Rescue work was quickly carried out by two launches, the *Kwong Sang* and the *Tai-sang*, which reached the victims before the towing launch could turn round. They picked up 25 persons, but the other four including the master's two young sons, a lighterman, and a woman coolie, were drowned.

The lighter was waterlogged and was beached at Jardine's Sugar Refinery at East Point.

Half-an-hour after this mishap, another harbour craft, a passenger boat proceeding from the wharf after picking up some washing, was overtaken by a strong gust of wind upon the boat, throwing twelve persons on board into the water. They were picked up by the A.P.C. launch *Hin Hock* and taken ashore. The sampan sank.

"NAAFI" CANTEN BURGLED.

SAFE WHICH WAS LEFT BEHIND.

According to a report made to the police by Mr. Grimes, of the N.A.A.F.I. canteen in Wellington Barracks, some person managed to break into the canteen between 9 p.m. on Saturday and 7.10 a.m. yesterday and steal sundries to the total value of \$160.

Apparently more than one man broke into the canteen, for it was found that a small iron safe which contained between \$200 and \$300 was also carried away.

On the police being notified, enquiries were quickly set afoot with the result that the safe was located in the barrack yard. Examination proved that it was intact, the thieves, probably not having the necessary gear with which to force it open.

KOWLOON DOCK PROFITS.

OVER TWO LAKHS TO BE CARRIED FORWARD.

We are informed by Mr. R. M. Dyer, Chief Manager of the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd., that the Company's gross profits for the year ending 31st December, 1927, subject to final audit, is \$700,564.33.

After deducting interest, rates, Crown rent, insurance, directors' and auditors' fees, and allowing the sum of \$62,017.81 for depreciation on buildings and plant, there remains a net profit for the year of \$133,436.99, to which must be added the amount brought forward from last year, \$68,614.11, making the total at credit of Profit and Loss Account at 31st December, 1927, \$202,051.10, which the Directors propose to carry forward to new account.

The fifty-ninth ordinary general meeting of shareholders of the Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd., will be held at the offices of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., on Monday March 26, at noon.

WAR ON SWABUE COMMUNISTS.

PANG PAI FEATHERING HIS NEST.

LARGE SUMS SENT BY THIRD INTERNATIONALE.

NAVAL PARTY LANDED.

Whatever the extent of the Sovietisation of Hoifung and Luk-fung district, an interesting suggestion has recently gained currency. It is said that Pang Pai, the supposed Chief of the "Soviet" Government in the Ho-luk Fung district during his "regime" has accumulated \$400,000.

Much private property has been seized by the "Reds" and Pang Pai has handled a goodly portion, says a report from Chinese sources.

In this way alone Pang Pai is alleged to have secured a fortune of from \$200,000 to \$300,000, while from the Third International at Moscow, Pang is said to have obtained about \$100,000. The money was presumably intended to foster the "Red" outbreak at Hoifung and Lukfong.

Pang is alleged to have sent one of his subordinates to Swatow with a big sum of money to be telegraphically remitted to Macao, the suggestion being that he is preparing to fit directly Li Chai-sum's expedition threatens serious danger.

There appears to be every reason for assuming that Pang Pai will abandon his adherents and will try the life of a luxuriously rich Chinese.

Thousand of Troops in Field.

Swatow, Mar. 3. Troops are getting into position for the Ho-luk Fung campaign. If numbers are of any avail, there should be enough. Over 4,000 are reported to have assembled at Ho-fung, one of the half dozen centres from which the advance is to be made. Regional commanders are being appointed, and the troops at Ho-fung are nominally under General Chan Chi-thang, who is Regional Commander of five districts, Kiu-yang, Phou-long, Hui-lai and Hui-luk Fung. To the west and south, Brigadier Wong Hui-chu is Commander of the five districts of Heng-long, Ngou-hui, Leng-chiu, Ho-nguan and Chik-lam.

So far, there is not much news of fighting, but it is said that both at Hui-lai and at Ho-fung advances were made by the troops, but that they retired on the failure of the villagers to provide sufficient food for them. This will necessarily be a problem.

Famine Feared.

These comparatively large numbers of troops are to advance into a naturally poor district, brought now to the verge of famine by the deliberate policy of the Soviet. Yet apparently very little provision is being made for food supplies, and responsibility is being thrust on the unfortunate local inhabitants. It seems in any case inevitable that famine will visit the district, and this will be terribly accentuated unless the Government arranges a Commissariat Department of its Army.

Party Landed.

There is a report from people of the district that the ships of the Canton Navy have taken up positions on the coast of Ho-luk Fung, and that one boat has entered Swatow harbour. It is further said that the vessel landed a party, before whom the officials of the Soviet fled. This party, however, entered the hospital and schools of the English Presbyterian Mission, which are occupied by the Communists, except for some medical students forcibly detained there by them, and it is said that twenty or thirty of the Communists were taken out and executed. Confirmation of this report, which comes from good sources, is now awaited.

There is much movement of troops to and from Swatow at present. Details of the 32nd Army, which has been ordered north, are following the main body, and a number left by a China Merchant steamer yesterday. (Continued on Page 14.)

NEW LITTLE WAR IN IRAK.

TRIBES ON THE WARPATH AND THREATENING.

TROOPS FROM INDIA.

Basra, Mar. 4. The town of Koweit is in a state of tension owing to reports from the interior, where a number of tribes are, it is clear, on the warpath, that a big offensive is being prepared with Koweit as the main objective.

It is stated that the British authorities have ordered the immediate despatch of a battalion of troops to Koweit from India.

The attitude of Ibn Saud is a conundrum. It is said on the one hand that he has sanctioned the tribal attacks owing to the anger roused by the recent devastation caused by the R.A.F. in their efforts to wipe out Feisal-ed-Dowish's raiders. On the other hand, it is thought that he is unable to withhold the tribesmen.—*Reuter*.

The war-like Wahabites recently appeared outside Koweit and coolly demanded permission to trade, otherwise they would take what they wanted at the edge of the sword. The Sultan defied them to do their worst. H.M.S. *Emerald* was sent to Koweit, and that cruiser is probably still on the spot.

The recent atrocities resulted in a decision to use the R.A.F. contingent against the tribesmen, and many hundreds of rebel tribesmen have been killed by bomb and machine-gun attacks in the past fortnight.

UNABLE TO READ THE WARNINGS.

FINED \$200 FOR CARRYING AMMUNITION.

An illiterate Chinese, who arrived in the Colony by the s.s. *President Jefferson* from America yesterday, charged before Mr. W. Schofield at the Kowloon Magistrate's Court this morning with being in possession of 300 rounds of ammunition without a permit pleaded guilty.

Sergeant Fowler said the ammunition was found in the man's coat pockets. There had been no special attempt to conceal it.

Asked why he had not declared the ammunition prior to landing, defendant said he was not aware of the local regulations. He could neither read Chinese nor English and therefore did not understand any notices requesting passengers with arms to declare same to the Captain of the ship.

In imposing a fine of \$200, or two months' hard labour in default, his Worship said that it certainly did not seem the defendant was conscious of the regulations.

EMINENT LAWYER'S DEATH.

SIR HARRY POLAND, K.C., DIES AT 98.

London, Mar. 4.

The death is announced of Sir Harry Poland, K.C., who was probably the oldest member of the legal profession. He was in his 98th year and had been a barrister for 73 years.—*British Wireless*.

An eminent lawyer, who retired from practice on receiving a knighthood in 1895, Sir Poland was for many years one of the counsel to the Treasury and the Home Office.

From 1871 to 1904, he was Recorder of Dover, and also for some years he was an alderman of the London County Council.

Since his retirement, the late Sir Harry Poland had written much on the reform of the law. He was a bachelor.

DRIZZLE OR MIST PREDICTED.

To-day's Observatory report states:—The China Sea depression has moved rapidly E.N.E. and now extends from North Luzon to the south of Japan. A fresh anticyclone has formed over North China. The monsoon will freshen along the south-east coast of China and over the North China Sea. The forecast up to noon tomorrow is:—North-east winds, moderate; generally overcast, some drizzle or mist.

KING'S COLLEGE OPENED.

THIS AFTERNOON'S BIG CEREMONY.

H. E. THE GOVERNOR UNLOCKS SUPER-BUILDING.

FOR 900 STUDENTS.

An event of considerable importance in the development of education in the Colony took place this afternoon, when His Excellency the Governor (Sir Cecil Clementi, K.C.M.G.) performed the ceremonial opening of King's College. The function was attended by a large gathering of those interested in education.

The School assembled at 2.30 p.m. in the Great Hall, and music was discoursed by the band of the King's Own Scottish Borderers until the arrival of His Excellency, when the National Anthem was played and the Governor's flag hoisted on the flagstaff.

After His Excellency had unlocked the main door and declared the College open, Sir Cecil entered the building, being followed by the visitors, Scouts and Ambulance men in uniform standing at attention along the south verandah.

The official party having taken their seats, His Excellency was presented with a ceremonial key and invited to unveil the School shield and the portrait of the late Mr. Chan Shek-shan, donor of the Chan Shek-shan Scholarship.

Headmaster's Report.

Then followed the presentation of a report by the Headmaster (Mr. A. Morris), who said:—Today is an auspicious occasion in the annals of educational progress in Hongkong, marking as it does the long delayed official opening of yet another school; a school to be known by the proud title of King's College, which is to provide for higher education up to Matriculation Standard. Some ten years ago, Dr. Lim Lik-oned our University to a lighthouse. If this simile is true, then King's College is one of the many beacon buoys marking the navigable channel and approach to that lighthouse. If at first our light is feeble and flickering, with due care and attention to the fuel and trimming, with the flight of time, that light will burn no less brilliantly nor steadily than that of its sister beacons.

To you, Sir, the College is indebted for its name, for you will recollect that in March, 1925, when you visited the building in its incomplete state, you selected the style King's College—a title of which we all can be justly proud. It is my sincere hope that each student will strive to "live up" to, and justify its regal significance, and all that is implied thereby.

Past History.

At this juncture it will be of interest to trace the past history and development of the Saling-pun School, of which King's College is the outgrowth, exemplifying the proverb, "Great oaks from little acorns grow." Although many years must elapse before maturity is reached, yet the sapling has taken root, and under the guidance of succeeding Headmasters who must water the tree and prune it and ruthlessly cut away dead and decaying branches, the young giant will attain its full measure of growth, and rear its head amongst the older and more sturdy monarchs of the forest.

Salingpun School dates back to 1879, in which year the Government decided to establish a Free School at West Point, and appointed as the first Headmaster Mr. Fung Fu, a returned student from America, and who was selected after a competitive examination as an assistant teacher, for the Central School where he remained for one year. The School was accommodated in Nos. 35, 37, 39 and 41 Third Street. The upper floors being occupied by Pundi Scholars, and the lower by Hakka pupils. Later English was taught to both sections without distinction.

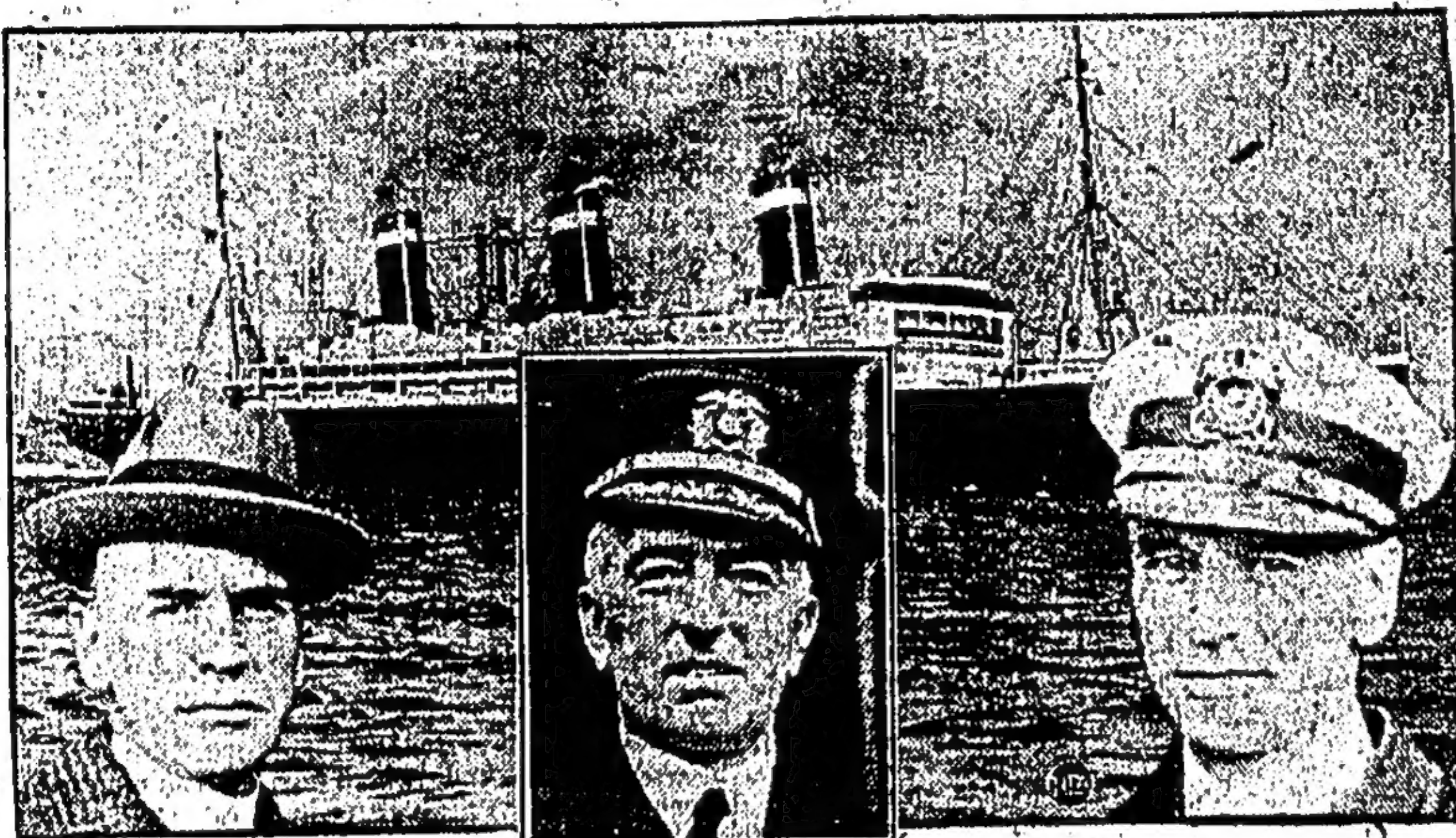
Like the child Samuel, the school grew and prospered and after a period of 12 years, the number in attendance had reached 110. The late Dr. Eitel was instrumental in inducing the Government to erect a more permanent building which was (Continued on Page 8.)



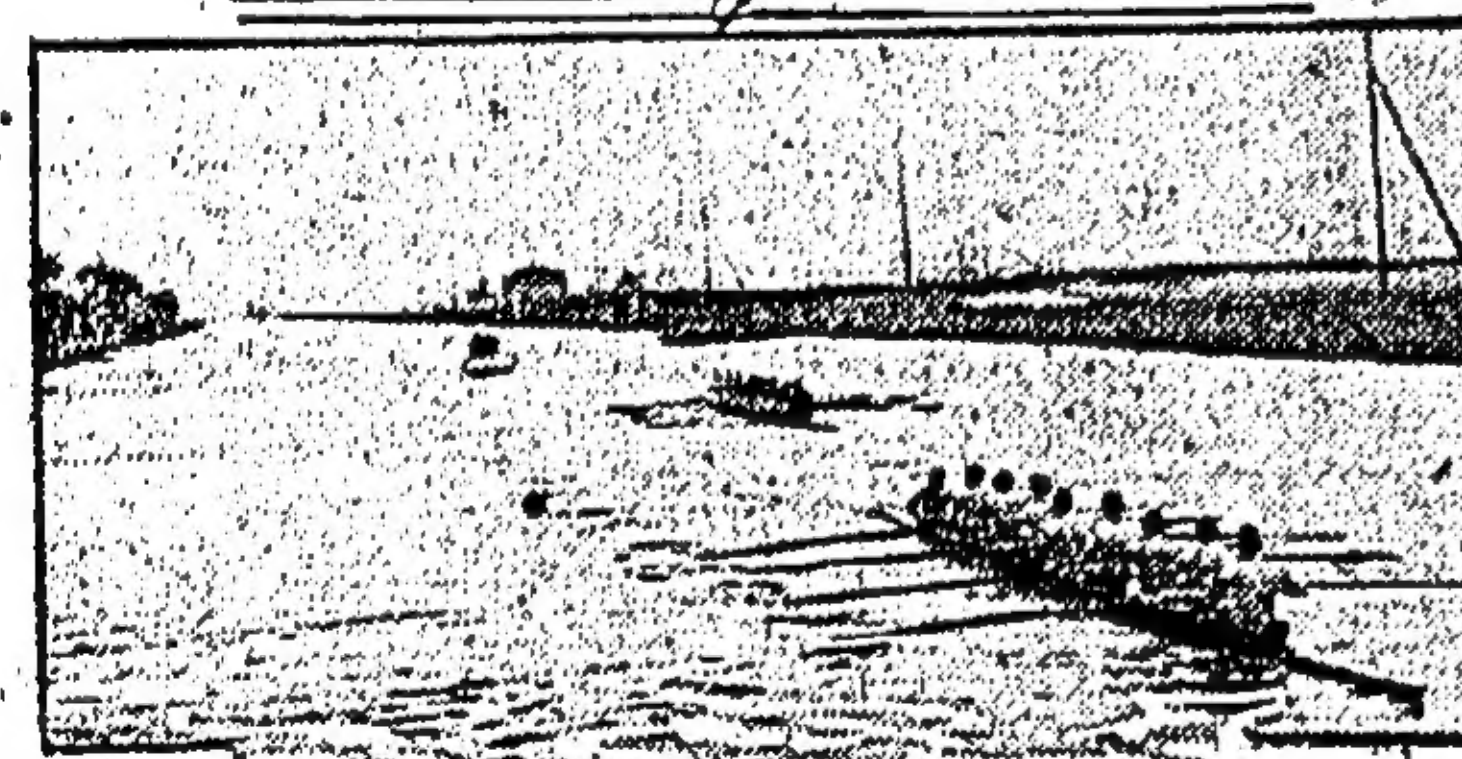
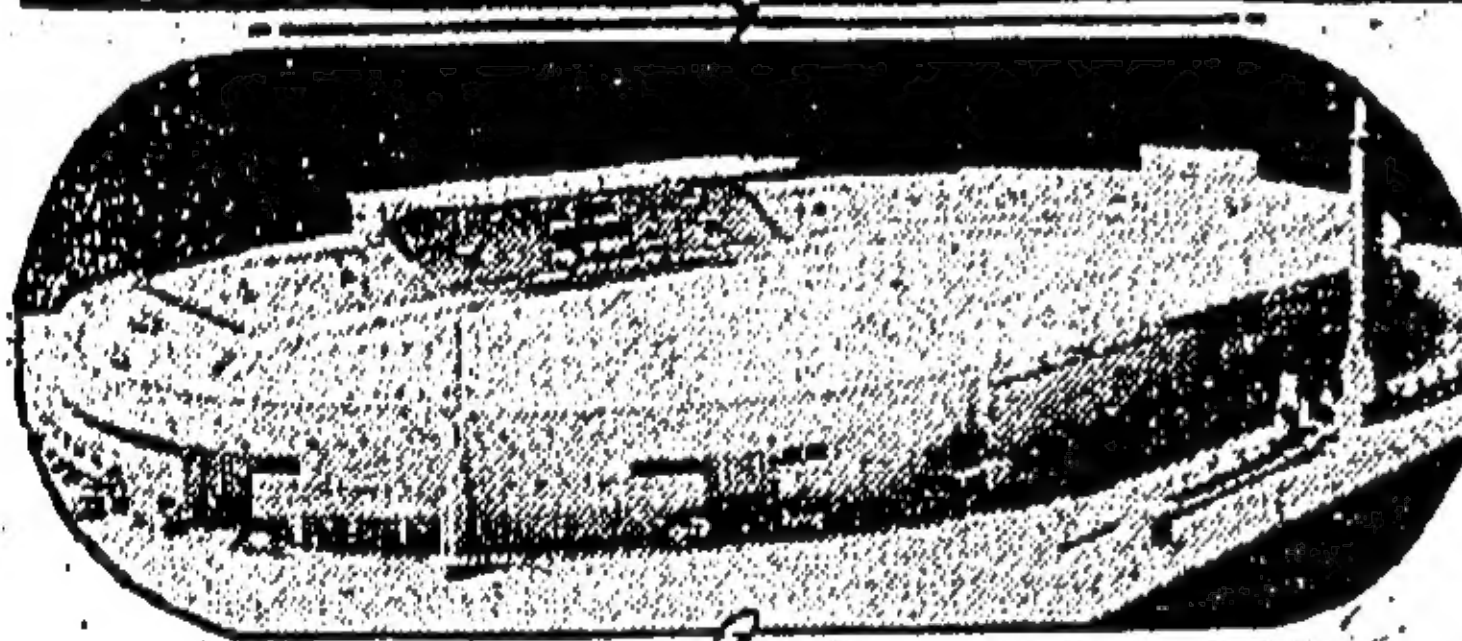
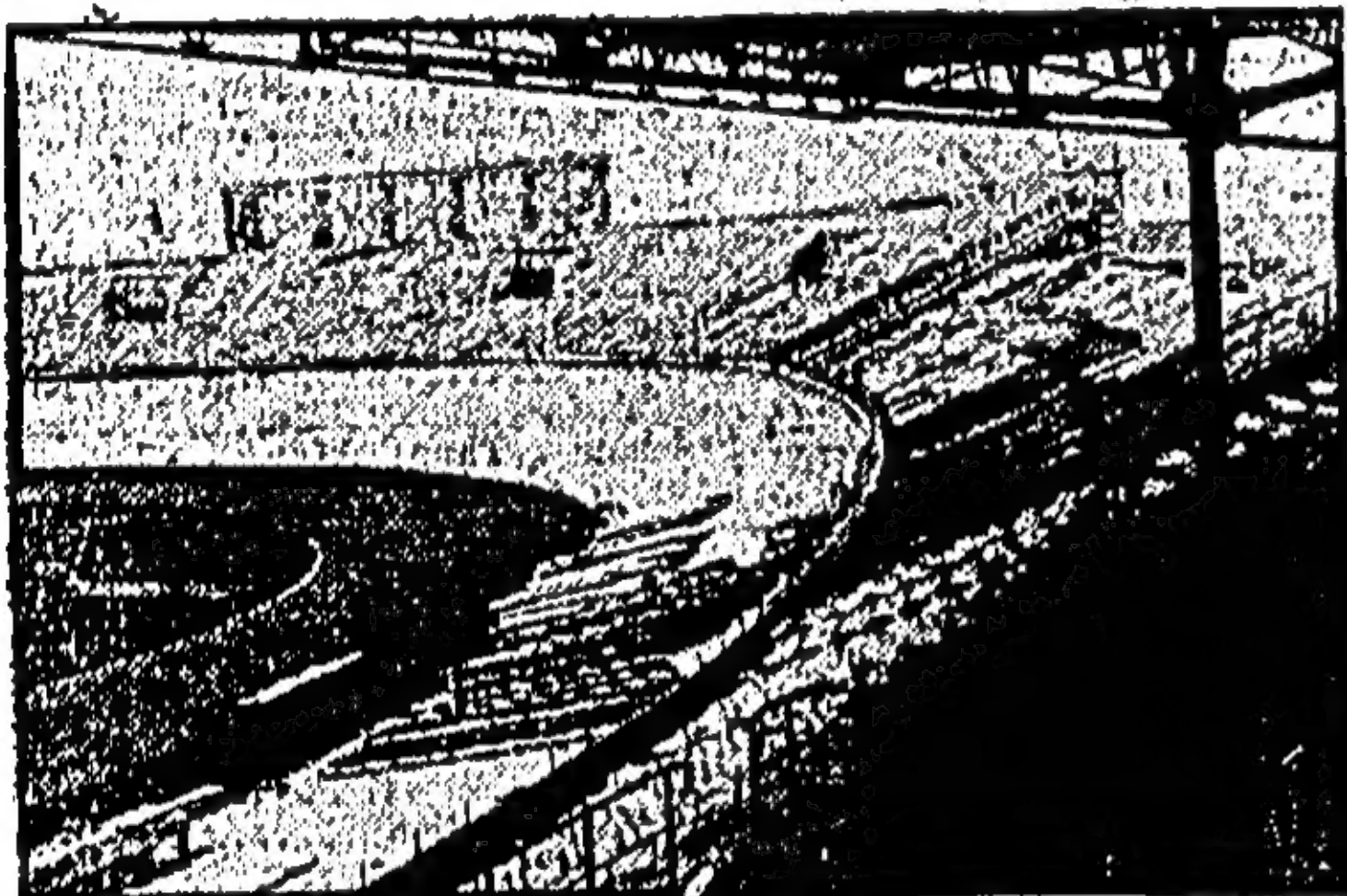
An appeal is being made for £500,000 to provide national memorial homes for Earl Haig. The late Field-Marshal was active right up to the time of his death. He is seen above in his robes as Chancellor of the St. Andrew's University, inspecting a guard of honour, a year or so ago. (Times copyright).



The field taking one of the jumps in the Borough Handicap at Windsor, in January. The winner, Mrs. H. G. Gregson's Sunny Wood, from left. (Times copyright).



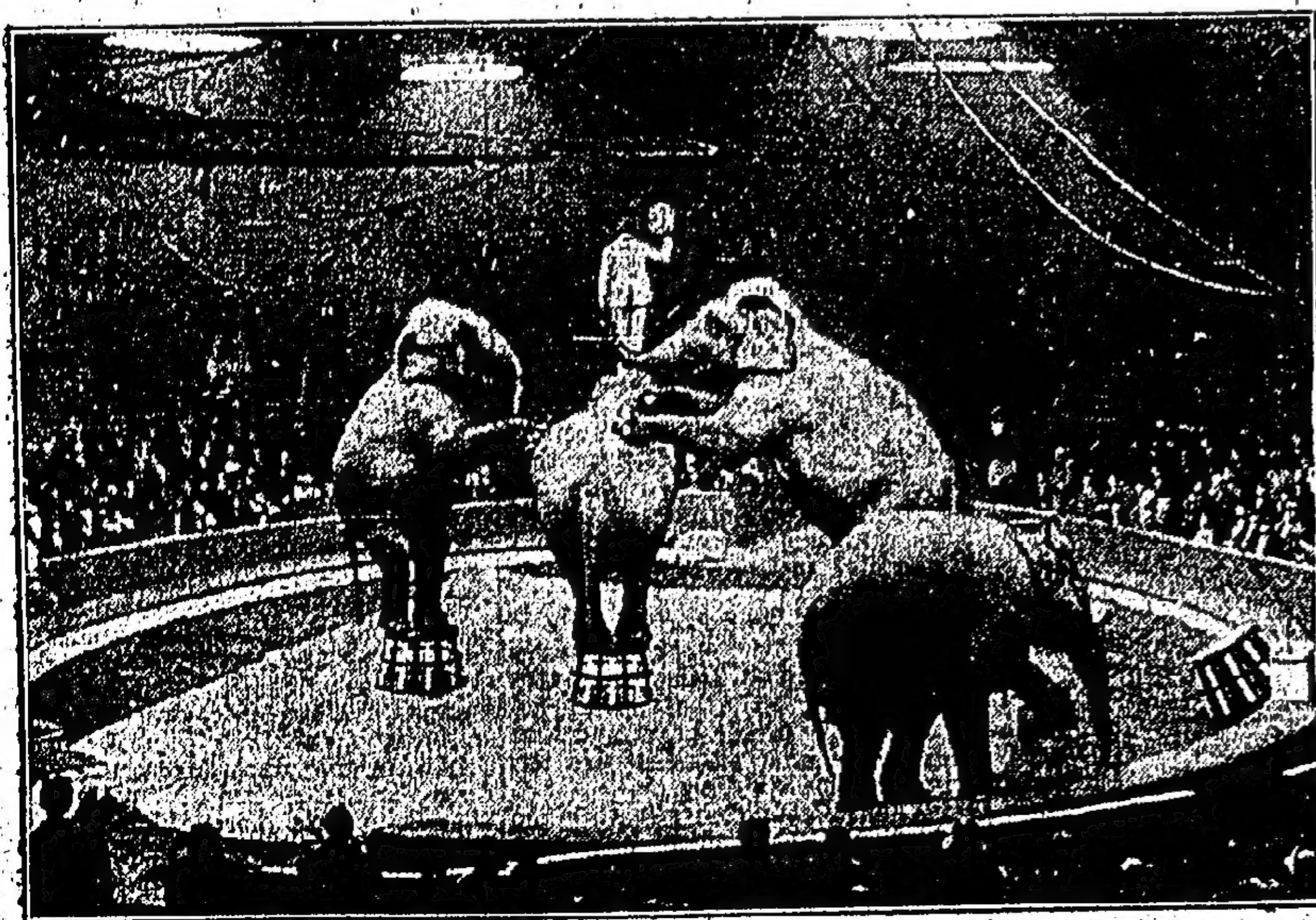
The Leviathan which went aground at Southampton recently is shown above, with her new commander Captain Harold A. Cunningham in the centre, and Captain Hartley her old master, on either side of him differently dressed. Capt. Cunningham was in command when she went aground.



The achievements of the Dutch Olympic Committee in preparation for the international tournament this year are depicted above. The bottom picture is the proposed course for the rowing events.



Pictures of President Cosgrave's visit to America. On the left he is seen with Mr. D. Fitzgerald, Irish Minister of Defence and Timothy Smiddy. At the right is a close-up.



London has recently been treated to a remarkable display of a circus nature. The performing elephants at Mr. Bertram Mills' Olympia show are seen above. (Times copyright).



President Machado, of Cuba, and President Coolidge, snapped together at the opening of the Pan-American Conference at Havana. President Machado is a keen supporter of the United States' policy.

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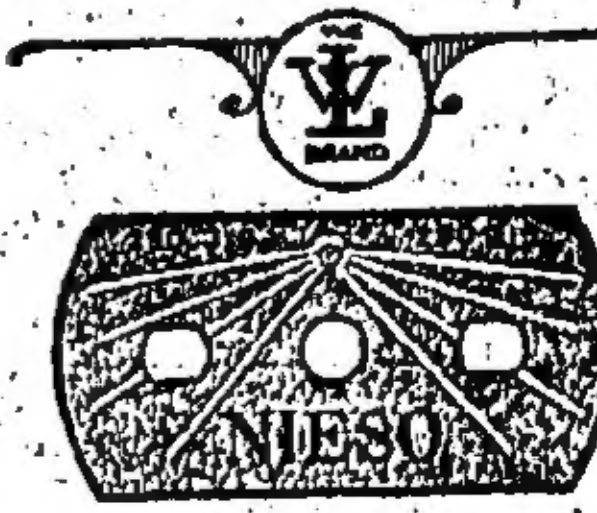
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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE CO., LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

The Fifty-ninth Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the Underwritten on Monday, the 26th March, 1928, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st December, 1927.

The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from the 12th to the 26th March, 1928, both days inclusive.

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General Managers,
The Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.
Hongkong, 5th March, 1928.

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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN.

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NOTICE.

If the Marine Boiler, left on Kowloon Marine Lot No. 49 by See To Ming is not claimed and removed within fourteen (14) days, same will be sold to defray expenses.

F. H. CRAPNELL,
Secretary,
Hongkong, 24th February, 1928.

THE HONGKONG ROPE MANUFACTURING CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

The Forty-fourth Ordinary Yearly Meeting of Shareholders in the above Company will be held at St. George's Building, Chater Road, Victoria, on Thursday, the 22nd March, 1928, at 11.30 o'clock a.m. for the purpose of receiving a statement of accounts and the report of the General Managers for the year ended 31st December, 1927, and electing a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from Monday 12th March, 1928, until Thursday the 22nd March, 1928, both days inclusive.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
General Managers,
Hongkong 1st March, 1928.

GREEN ISLAND CEMENT COMPANY LIMITED.

The 39th ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the above COMPANY will be held at the Offices of the Company, St. George's Building, Chater Road, Victoria, Hongkong, on Wednesday, the 21st day of March, 1928, at noon for the purpose of receiving a statement of accounts and the report of the Directors for the year ended 31st December, 1927.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be CLOSED from Tuesday the 13th March, 1928, until Wednesday, the 21st March, 1928, both days inclusive.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
General Managers,
Hongkong, 1st March, 1928.

NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that from March 1st, 1928, the appointed attorney of Compagnie OPTORG shall be in Shanghai, 39, Avenue Edouard VII. The Hongkong business of the Company is in the hands of their Agent **IP HANG FONG**, in the former office, Prince's Building, 8th floor. **COMPAGNIE OPTORG** by their Attorney,
(Sgd.) **A. DELCOURT.**

LAMMERT'S AUCTIONS

PUBLIC AUCTION.

The Underwritten have received instructions to sell by Public Auction

TO-DAY,

the 5th March, 1928, commencing at 2.45 p.m. at No. 169, The Peak (Mt. Kellett Road):
A Quantity of Valuable Household Furniture.

(Particulars from Catalogue).
On view from Sunday, the 4th March, 1928.

Terms:—Cash on Delivery.

LAMMERT BROS.,
Auctioneers,
Hongkong, Feb. 28, 1928.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

The Underwritten have received instructions to sell by Public Auction,

TO-DAY,

the 5th March, 1928, commencing at 5.15 p.m. At their Sales Room, Duddell Street,
A Valuable Collection of Postage Stamps.

Including:—
Old China, Shanghai, and Hongkong, etc.
On View from Saturday, the 3rd March, 1928.

Catalogues will be issued.
Terms:—Cash on Delivery.

LAMMERT BROS.,
Auctioneers.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

The Underwritten have received instructions to sell by Public Auction

on FRIDAY,

the 9th March, 1928, commencing at 2.30 p.m. at their Sales Room, Duddell Street

A Large Quantity of Valuable Office and Household Furniture.

Comprising:—
Teak Bookcases, Filing Cabinets, Desks, Hatstand with Mirror, Chesterfield Couch and Armchairs, Silver Cabinet, Leather Covered Chairs, Egyptian Carpets and Rugs, Oil Paintings, Pictures, Ornaments, China Wares, etc., etc.
Teak Dining Tables and Chairs, Sideboards with Mirrors, Dinner Waggons, Ice Chest, Dinner Service, Glass Wares, Cooking Utensils, Cutlery, etc., etc.

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also

A Few Pieces of Canton Blackwood Furniture, and

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1 Sewing Machine.
1 Piano by John Broadwood and Sons.
1 Enamel Bath.
2 Gramophones.
1 Remington Typewriter.
2 Telescopes.
1 "Kok" Moving Picture Machine (Projector).
1 Popular Pressman Camera.
1 Case German Records.
Catalogues will be issued.

On View from Thursday, the 8th March, 1928.

Terms:—Cash on Delivery.

LAMMERT BROS.,
Auctioneers,
Hongkong, Mar. 5, 1928.

KOWLOON CRICKET CLUB.

MEMBERS are reminded that entries for the ANNUAL LAWN TENNIS TOURNAMENT close on SATURDAY, March 10.

Lists are posted in the Club House.

THE HONGKONG ELECTRIC CO., LTD.

Notice is hereby given that the Thirty-Ninth Ordinary General Meeting will be held at the Company's Offices, P. and O. Building, on Friday, 16th March, 1928, at 12 noon, for the purpose of presenting the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1927, and electing Directors and Auditors.

The Register of Members of the Company will be closed from 3rd March, 1928 to 16th March, 1928, both days inclusive, during which period no Transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
GIBB, LIVINGSTON AND CO., LTD.,
Agents,
Hongkong, 24th Feb., 1928.

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6, Duddell Street.
If you have anything you would like to sell, exchange or advertise send it to the CHINA AUCTION ROOM.
R. V. M. R. de SOUSA.

MACAO RACES.

SIXTH EXTRA RACE MEETING.
SUNDAY, 11th MARCH 1928.

FIRST RACE 1 p.m. SHARP.

Public Enclosure 40 cts.
Members Enclosure \$2.00.

RACE STEAMERS.

SUI AN leaves Hongkong 8 a.m. Returning from Macao 3.30 p.m.
TAISHAN leaves Hongkong 9 a.m. Returning from Macao 5.30 p.m.

By order.

S. W. Cheng, Secretary.

CONSIGNEES' NOTICES.

OCEAN STEAM SHIP CO., LTD.
And
CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION CO., LTD.

Consignees per Company's Steamer "POLYPHEMUS"
From UNITED KINGDOM and CONTINENTAL PORTS via STRAITS.

are hereby notified that the cargo will be discharged into Holt's Wharf Kowloon, where it will lie at Consignee's risk and subject to terms and conditions of storage at Holt's Wharf. The Cargo will be ready for delivery from Godown on and after 3rd March.

Optional cargo will be landed here, unless notice has been given to steamer's arrival, but carried on from port to port to the final port of call to which the option extends.

All broken, chafed, and damaged goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on any Tuesdays and Fridays between the hours of 10.45 a.m. and noon within the free storage period.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the steamer's Godown, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 9th March will be subject to sale.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the undersigned on or before the 23rd March, or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
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Hongkong March 3, 1928.

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POLICE CLEAR CUP-TIE PITCH.

PLAYERS DODGE HORSES AND THE CROWD.

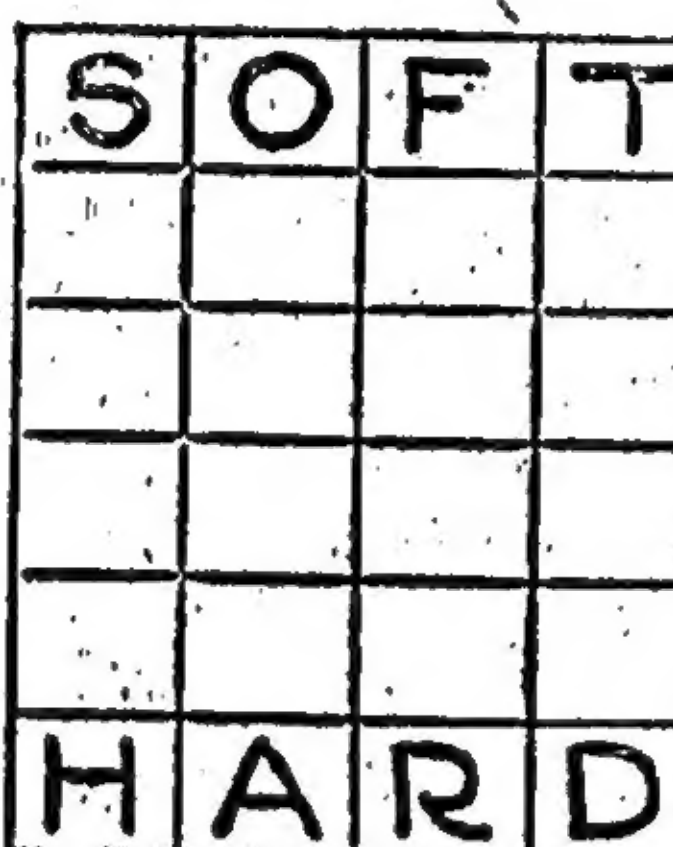
Scenes unknown to English football since the fiasco of the first Cup Final at Wembley, in 1923, were witnessed at Nottingham recently. Great excitement was stimulated by the replay of Nottingham Forest's cup-tie with their neighbours, Derby County.

Over 35,000 people crowded into the ground, and some time before the start all gates were closed. Hundreds were clamouring for admission when this order was given, and at once the cry went up "Force the gates."

Thousands of would-be spectators crowded on to the pitch, from which they had to be moved by mounted police.

Even when the pitch itself had been cleared dense crowds collected between touch-line and stands. Throughout the game players had to dodge spectators and horse police, whenever the game fluctuated near the touch lines.

LETTER GOLF.



1—The idea of letter golf is to change one word to another and do it in pairs, a given number of strokes. Thus to change COW TO HEN, in three strokes, COW, HOW, HEW, HEN.

2—You can change only one letter at a time.

3—You must have a complete word, of common usage, for each jump. Slang words and abbreviations don't count.

4—The order of letters cannot be changed.

One solution is printed on another page of this issue.

POST OFFICE NOTICE

RADIO NOTICE.

RADIO TELEGRAPH SERVICES are now in operation as follows:—
Ships at Sea, Europe, American Continents, Hawaiian Islands, Dutch East Indies, Dutch Borneo, Philippine Islands, French Indo-China, Province of Yunnan, British North Borneo, Siam, Canton, Swatow, Kwongchow, Fort Bayard, Tchekam, Hellow, Amoy and Foochow, etc.

It is notified for information that the via Wireless rate to EUROPE has been reduced from \$2.05 to \$1.70 per word from 7th inst.

Rates and further particulars on application to the RADIO COUNTEY, 1st Floor, Government Building.

Telegraphic Addresses—Persons and firms having correspondents in the places named above should in order to avoid delay to telegrams received by radio register their telegraphic address immediately.

Registered and Parcel Mails are closed 15 minutes earlier than the time given below unless otherwise stated, and where mails are advertised to close at or before 9 a.m. registered and parcel mails are closed at 5 p.m. on the previous day.

Deliable articles forwarded by letter post to Great Britain are liable to confiscation by the Customs. Such articles should be forwarded by parcel post only.

Letters and postcards for Europe and the British Isles are forwarded via Siberia if so superscribed.

The Postal Service to Swaboo and neighbouring places is entirely suspended until further notice.

INWARD MAILS.

From	Per	Date
Shanghai and Amoy	Nanchang	March 5.
Shanghai	Alipore	March 5.
Australia and Manila	St. Albans	March 5.
Straits	Shirala	March 6.
Amoy	Tilawa	March 6.
Shanghai	Sphinx	March 13.
Canada, U.S.A., Japan and Shanghai	Empress of Asia	March 15.

OUTWARD MAILS.

For	Per	Date
Manila	Pros. Jefferson Mon.	Mar. 5, 4.30 p.m.
Amoy	Soochow	Mon., Mar. 5, 4.30 p.m.
San-Shui and Wuchow	Tai Ming	Mon., Mar. 5, 4.30 p.m.
Manila	Achilles	Mon., Mar. 5, 5 p.m.
Fort Bayard	Sun Kong	Mon., Mar. 5, 5 p.m.
Bangkok	Tai Lee	Tues., Mar. 6, 5.30 a.m.
Formosa, "Shanghai," Japan, Honolulu and "San Francisco"	Siberia Maru Tues.	Mar. 6, 8.30 a.m. (Due San Francisco 30th March.)
Saigon	Wong Shek Kung	Tues., Mar. 6, 10.30 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Haihong	Tues., Mar. 6, 2 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. and S. Africa, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles	Glauco	Tues., Mar. 6. K.P.O.

Registration 1.15 p.m.
Letters 1 p.m.
G.P.O.
Registration 1.45 p.m.
Letters 2.30 p.m.
(Due Marseilles 6th April.)

Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A. "C." and "S." America and Europe via Victoria, B.C. and Europe via Siberia
Pres. McKinley Tues., Mar. 6.
Parcels 3 p.m.
Registration 4.15 p.m.
Letters 5 p.m.
(Due Victoria B.C. 20th March.)

Swatow and Amoy
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A. Central and South American "Europe via Vancouver B.C. and Europe via Siberia"
Parcels Mar. 6, 5 p.m.
Empress of Russia Wed., Mar. 7.
Registration 9.15 a.m.
Letters 10 a.m.
(Due Vancouver B.C. 25th March.)

Java via Batavia
Manila
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa
Deli Maru
Wei Hai Wei
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, East and South Africa, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles
Atsuta Maru Sat., Mar. 10.
K.P.O.
Registration Mar. 9, 4.30 p.m.
Letters Mar. 10, 9 a.m.
G.P.O.
Registration 8.45 a.m.
Letters 9.30 a.m.
(Due Marseilles 8th April.)

Japan, Canada, U.S.A. Central and South America and Europe via Victoria, B.C.
Parcels 9th, 5.00 p.m.
Toucar Sat., Mar. 10.
Registration 9.45 p.m.
Letters 10.30 a.m.
(Due Victoria, B.C. 3rd April.)

Straits and Calcutta
Fooksang
Parcels noon.
Letters 1 p.m.

Sandakan
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa
Saigon, "Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. and S. Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles
Mausang Sat., Mar. 10, 1.30 p.m.
Hokan Maru Sun., Mar. 11, 9 a.m.
Sphinx Tues., Mar. 13.
K.P.O.
Registration 10 a.m.
Letters 10 a.m.
G.P.O.
Registration 11.45 a.m.
Letters 12.30 p.m.
(Due Marseilles 15th April.)

Swatow, Amoy and Foochow
Japan
Hai Ching Tues., Mar. 13, 2 p.m.
Aki Maru Fri., Mar. 16, 9.30 a.m.
*Correspondence bearing vessel's name only

OUR DAILY TALK ON HEALTH.

EXCESSIVE WORRY OVER HEART DISEASE.

CAUSES INCREASED DISTRESS.

Because of the fear in which heart disease is commonly held by the public, the person who first resolves the announcement that his heart is inadequate, is likely to spend many nights worrying over the length of his life or the scope of his possible activities.

In a recent consideration of the subject before the Chicago Heart Association, Dr. James B. Herrick described five classes of persons who require special consideration in connexion with this matter.

Many persons are seen who do not have heart disease, but who think they have. They pay too much attention to every spell of palpitation or breathlessness, they worry over fatigue, and are disturbed by every word of gossip concerning some one who may have died recently of a heart condition.

Must be Informed.
Such a patient must, of course, be thoroughly examined and told truthfully that he has not an actual disease of the heart and that his worry and distress are unnecessary.

When a condition affecting the heart is discovered in a patient who does not know or suspect that he has heart disease, the physician is usually exceptionally careful in breaking the news. If it is

child, the parents only may be told, so that they may control the child's activities.

The physician usually studies the mental reaction of the patient before imparting to him any news that may be especially disturbing to the conduct of his life.

The most important instruction is that to be given to the patient with heart disease, who is over-fearful. By a careful study of the heart, the physician is able to find out how much it can stand and the patient is then told how to limit his activities so as to get the maximum amount of work and pleasure out of life without injuring himself physically.

Some persons simply refuse to consider the possibility of heart disease when it is discovered, perhaps because they belong to some particular group in the community that does not recognize the actual existence of any disease or also because of ignorance.

ARE YOU SUSCEPTIBLE TO COLDS?

Now is the season for colds and some people are more subject to them than others under identical conditions. This is due in a large measure to the person's vital power, the ability of the system to resist attacks. The treatment of colds therefore should be directed to preventing them, which is best done by invigorating the system and building up the general health.

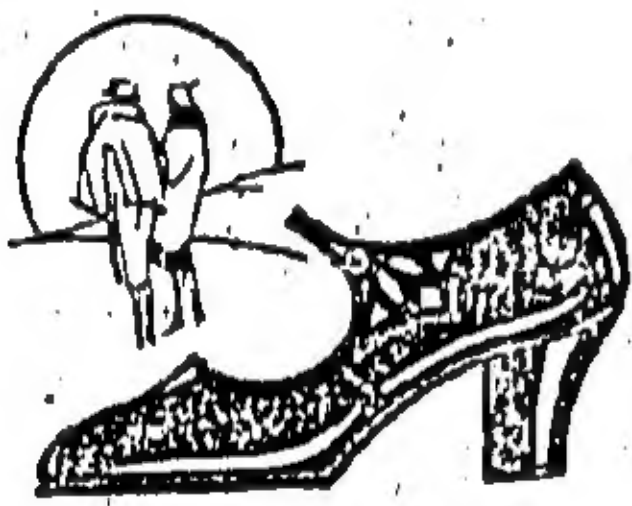
The diet should be generous but not stimulating and articles of easy digestion should be chosen. Eight hours, at least, of sleep, preferably in the early part of the night, are essential. For medicine Dr. Williams' Pink Pills are especially adapted because they build up the blood, strengthen the nerves and tone up the organs of digestion. You can get them at your chemist, or post free, \$1.50 per bottle, \$8.00 for 6 bottles, from The Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., 60, Kiangse Road, Shanghai.

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"THE CIRCUS."

CHARLIE CHAPLIN AT THE QUEEN'S.

The one and only "Charlie" is again on the screen at the Queen's Theatre all this week, appearing in "The Circus," a film-story written, produced and directed by himself. This clever comedy is at present drawing big houses in London and New York, and the Hongkong Amusements, Ltd., are to be commended on their enterprise in securing such a quick release hero.

At yesterday's screenings, there were packed audiences, and no doubt this will be the rule for the remainder of the season. Whilst it may be that Charlie Chaplin has been seen in more exuberantly funny pictures, it can certainly be said that "The Circus" shows him in his most characteristic moods. And it is these typical "Charlie touches" that make Chaplin so universally popular. A film critic, writing in regard to "The Circus," asked: "Is there anyone else in the film world whose every gesture must be watched with the closest attention for full appreciation of acting?" It has always been so, he says, with Charlie Chaplin, and it is the case in this film.

All through the film, from the very first moment when he appears, Charlie attracts attention by his whimsicalities and artistry. One of the very best touches is when he carries a magician's table into the circus ring and accidentally gives the whole show away by pressing a button which releases rabbits, pigs, pigeons and ducks from silk hats. His frantic endeavours to capture the live-stock must be seen to be appreciated. Then in his tight-rope act, he is funniest itself, even although the climax is rather overdone.

And so one could go on recalling the numerous incidents which give Charlie full scope for his originality. But it is needless to add more; for no doubt every film-fan will make a special point of seeing "The Circus" this week.

From the technical point of view, the film is first-class production, and the supporting cast is all that could be wished.

HONGKONG OMITTED.

MR. ORMSBY GORE CANNOT VISIT COLONY.

In response to a letter by Sir Henry Pollock, recently, the Colonial Secretariat announces that the Hongkong Government despatched a telegram to the Secretary of State for the Colonies on February 17, and received a telegram in reply on February 27, regarding the Hon. Mr. Ormsby Gore's visit to the Colonies. The telegrams follow:

Translation of code telegram, from the Governor, Hongkong, to the Secretary of State, London. Date, 17th February, 1928: "Unofficial Members of Executive and Legislative Councils unanimously request that Mr. Ormsby Gore may extend his journey so as to include visit to Hongkong. I heartily support this request.—Governor."

Translation of code telegram, from the Secretary of State, London, to the Governor, Hongkong. Date, 27th February, 1928: "Your telegram 17th February. Much appreciate invitation extended to Ormsby Gore to visit Hongkong but regret that time will not permit this, as important that he should return for last part of Session.—Secretary of State."

Chief E. R. A. Garrod, of H.M.S. Titania, passed away at the Royal Naval Hospital on Saturday last. There was a large gathering of naval officers and men at the funeral, which took place yesterday afternoon, the remains being interred at the Protestant Cemetery. A profusion of wreaths were laid on the grave. The firing party was provided by members of H.M.S. Titania.

WOMAN'S WORLD
FOR OUR LADY READERS.

Peasant Pottery.

MAIN INSPIRATION, THE BARNYARD.

Peasant pottery and glassware from France, Italy and Czechoslovakia now comes to cheer the heart of the modern and add a touch of colour to his contemporary furniture.

Amusing, useful and ornamental, these odd pieces of pottery look to mundane things for their inspiration and reflect a realism that is instinctive with the simple peasants who make them.

Unlike old pieces of pottery that sometimes were merely decorative and ornamental, these new gay additions serve a purpose.

Odd pitchers come in for their share of popularity. Candlesticks, flower bowls, holders for flowers in low bowls, book-ends, ash trays, sauce boats, and sugar and creamers all have their new interpretations, too.

pieces, they assume different poses, bringing with them that amusing note that this nonchalant age demands.

For instance, there is the Quimper peasant candlestick, the same Breton figure posing with a holder on his head. He is a husky man, with a gay polka-dotted skirt and striped trousers, the same peasant as of old, but with a new idea.

A Prancing Candle-stick.

For another candle-stick holder, these peasants originate a grotesque little prancing horse in bright blues and yellows with a touch of that deep, pleasing red that their flowers give. They use their flowers and a few sprays of green to dress up the horse and very festive indeed is he, with a coloured candle on his back.

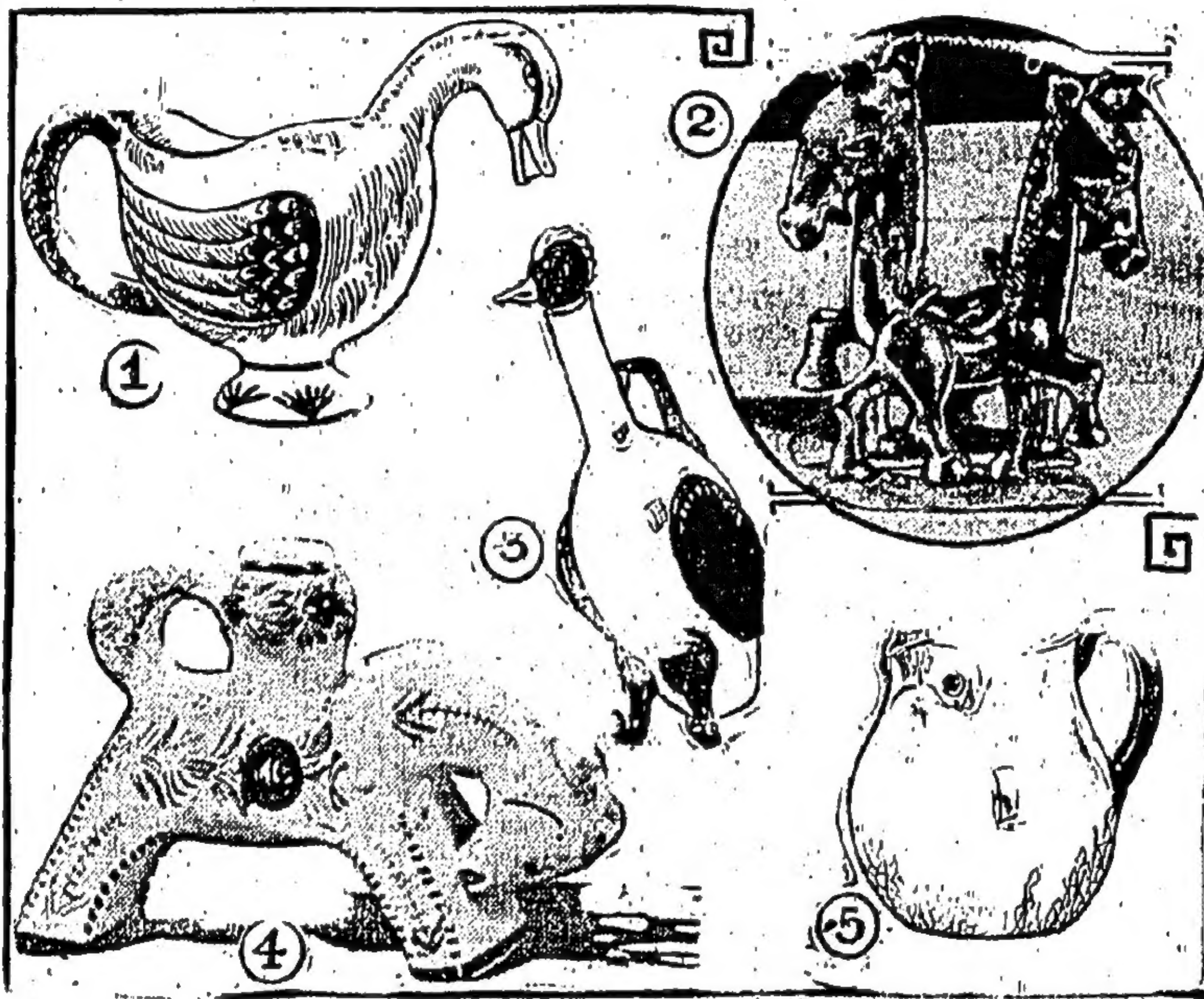
Czechoslovakia goes in for pitchers and decanters in much of its new pottery and glassware. A new kind of cracked pottery and a novel flecked glass both suggest the feathers of fowls and are used appropriately to fashion owls, roosters, hens, ducks, and all

Artificial Silk.

LORD ROTHERMERE'S PROPHECY.

The artificial silk industry is the most promising industry which this country has developed for a generation, says a writer in a Home paper, and at a time when several new works are starting production it is distinctly gratifying to learn, from evidence given before the Board of Trade's inquiry into the position of the hosiery trade, that the popularity of artificial silk is rapidly and continuously growing. The new mill finish which manufacturers are now giving to their products, making them, except to an expert, indistinguishable from silk, was stated by one witness to have led to a very marked increase in the demand for artificial silk stockings, and a corresponding decline in the demand for cheap foreign hosiery.

The steady expansion of this



European peasants send these barnyard animals into the modern home: (1) Czechoslovakian iridescent pottery duck serves as a dressing boat; (2) Italy conceives two wreath-holders in colourful pottery as ideal book ends; (3) A gaudy penguin with red wings, head and feet is really a decanter; (4) Breton peasants make a prancing Quimper ware horse into a candlestick; (5) a tan crackle ware owl, with unblinking black eyes, is the kind of pitcher children love.

Nature's Colour.

Usually the peasants who make this pottery look no farther than their own barnyards for inspiration of their designs. A strutting cock is quite as decorative to them as some intricately worked out imaginative animal or other design. And they see humour in the pots of their own back-yard. For none of these new pieces is without a certain amusing note.

As for the colour, the blue of Italy's skies, or the brown and green of Brittany are as truly given as the gaudy Czechoslovakian reds and yellows.

From France come some delightful new additions to the ever-popular Quimper ware from Brittany. The same little peasant's figures, in home-spun clothes of browns, greys, dark reds, greens and yellow appear. But in the new

kinds of birds that, when tipped, pour forth not song but food and drink.

One glass penguin decanter has gaudy red head, legs, wings and a roving grey eye. A cracked pottery owl pitcher has soft brownish beige body with a black handle and an unblinking black eye.

Italy shows its flair for imaginative interpretations of ordinary things in its new horse designs, some of which are used for book ends. A pair of pre-historic looking animals, with extravagant necks, stand as they might in conversational mood under a pasture tree and no book can slip by them. These are in gorgeous reds, blues and browns.

For Salad Dressing, a Duck.

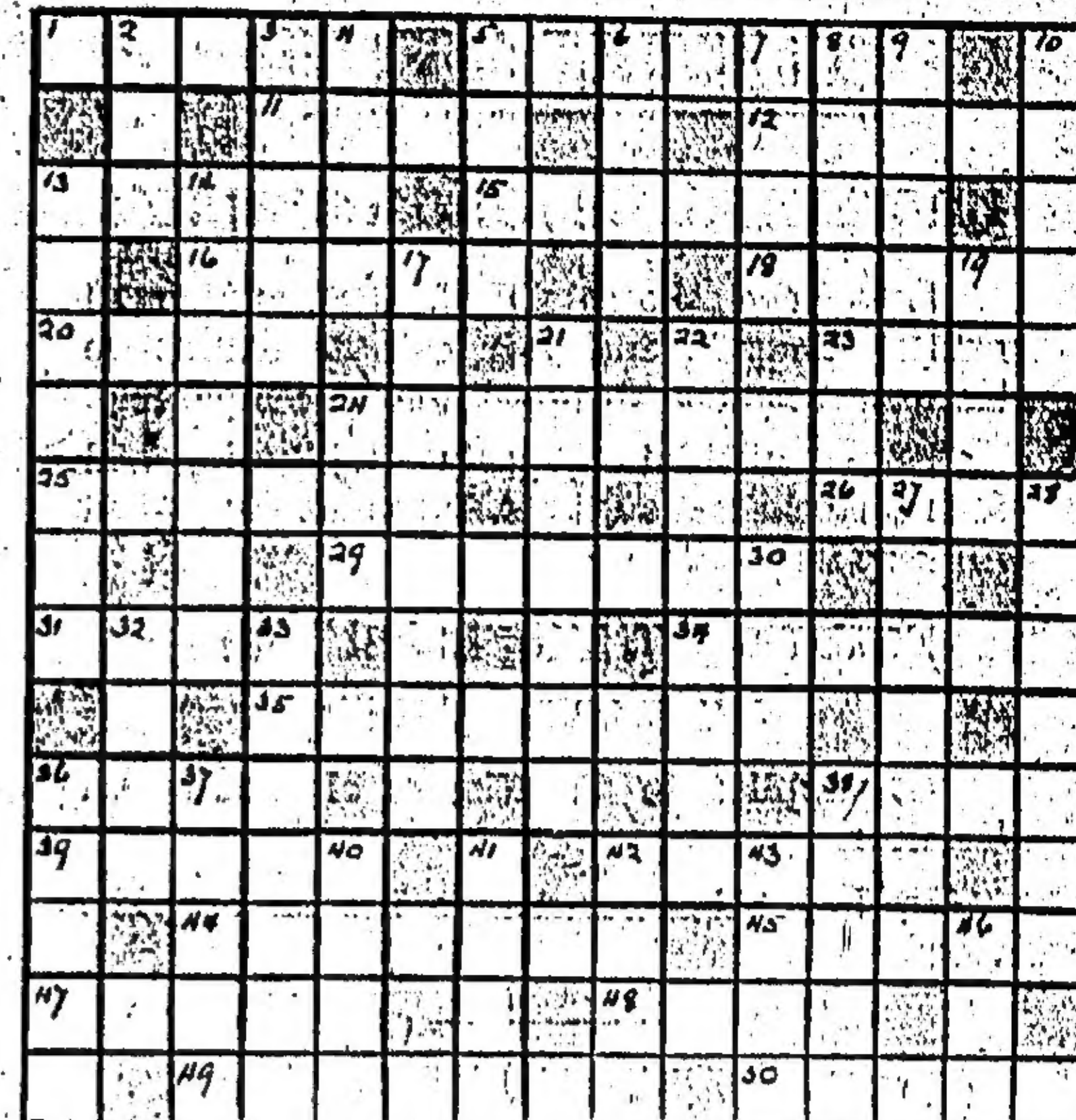
Another Italian contribution is the low duck salad dressing boat.

Industry, in which the safeguarding duty imposed two years ago has played its part, is of the greatest benefit to the nation, which has suffered in recent years from the depression in the textile industries, always one of the chief foundations of its prosperity. Lord Rothermere's prophecy in 1924 that at no very distant date "half of the clothing of the world will be made wholly or partly of artificial silk," has come with every year nearer to fulfilment.

No solid colour is this useful little creature as he sits, apparently just floating along on a pond. He has the iridescent gleam of colours, in blues, greys, greens and black that any duck has.

Each piece is distinctive. One is an addition to any table. A menagerie would be most useful and decorative in any home.

OUR CROSSWORD PUZZLE.



- Across.
- Artificial light containers.
 - Dash into splinters.
 - Produce figures on copper.
 - Place which averts was in another place.
 - Wild-west horse show.
 - Went in.
 - Species of antelope.
 - Drub.
 - Obscures.
 - Sins.
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 - Vegetable.
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 - Guards.
 - Situation.
 - Contended.
 - Guided.
 - Turkish Judge.
 - Female horse.
 - Single things.
 - Bordered.
 - Species of deer.
 - Boats of burden.
 - Tidal wave.
 - Mid-day.
 - Existence.
 - Welsh emblems.
- Down.
- Past.
 - Pares.
 - Porch.
 - Hut.
 - Emmits.
 - Sailors.
 - Ingredient.
 - Additional clause.
 - Rows.

- Edits.
- Crime.
- Being in the north.
- Wake-robin.
- Decline.
- Common name for twining plants.
- Kind of lettuce.
- Encroachments.
- Conceals.
- Sorry.
- Successor of Mohammed.
- Newspaper managers.
- Healed.
- Funeral hymn.
- Intervening (Law).
- Perceives.
- Vascular cryptograms.
- Bald eagle.
- Prison.
- Species of deer.

Saturday's Solution.

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SECURITY.

Britain's attitude towards China could hardly have been more succinctly stated than in the speech which His Excellency the Governor delivered at the luncheon given to Marshal Li Chai-sum and his colleagues on Friday. In the word "security," Sir Cecil Clementi summarised the aims and aspirations of British traders, and he was able to show that those aims and aspirations also animated the Chinese people in districts which have so badly suffered during a long period of unrest and uncertainty. The elimination of pirates and brigands, the putting of an end to civil war, the protection of life and property and trade and commerce—these were the remedies which His Excellency prescribed, and, as he rightly said, once these things are accomplished, there will dawn for South China such an era of prosperity as she has not experienced for many a long year.

His Excellency was very pointed in his observations when he asserted that if security were assured, there would no longer be any need for any further clamour about "unequal treaties," "Imperialism," and other senseless slogans. It is precisely because there is at present, in so many parts of China, no such security as was indicated in Sir Cecil Clementi's speech, that the safeguards provided by Treaty have to be retained. When the reverse is the case, then no obstacle whatever will stand in the way of a far-reaching revision of the treaties. It is not as if China had no example in this matter, for right at her own door it is being shown, in Hongkong and in Shanghai, that security can be guaranteed, provided there is the will and the determination. So it all comes back again to the old point—namely, that the remedy lies with China's own leaders. It is absurd for Chinese politicians to demand the abrogation of the treaties so long as the necessity for safeguards exists. As the position improves, something can admittedly be done in the way of revision, but the Chinese cannot expect to secure the full measure of their demands unless they, on their part, discharge the obligations which lie upon them. It is

a matter of getting down to the root of the question—causes, and not effects, have first to be dealt with.

Of Britain's sympathy with Chinese aspirations there cannot be any possible doubt. She is both willing and anxious to see the country administered as it ought to be, and she can be relied upon to demonstrate her practical sympathy by doing all in her power towards helping the Chinese to raise their status amongst the comity of nations. The new contact which has been established between Hongkong and Canton undoubtedly has its value in this connexion. Marshal Li Chai-sum and his colleagues have during the past few days received ample evidence of our willingness to co-operate in any movement which is for the mutual benefit of the two great racial centres whose fortunes are so closely interwoven. It is equally satisfactory to have the obviously sincere assurances of Marshal Li that his Government is just as keen on maintaining and strengthening the cordial relations which at present exist between this Colony and Canton. The pending visit of H.E. the Governor to the Southern capital should have the result of putting the seal on the rapprochement which has been so strikingly demonstrated during the past week.

The Egyptian Problem.

Egypt's rejection of the terms of the proposed new treaty with Great Britain may, even in the absence of the precise nature of the proposals, be described as an excellent example of political folly. The extremists have forced a Ministerial crisis on the country for no other reason than that they suspected Sarwat Pasha, who has resigned the Premiership, of accepting the British viewpoint that the British Government was continuing its policy of seeking to preserve the integrity of Egypt. Sir Austen Chamberlain, we may be sure, made a sincere attempt in his conversations and in the draft treaty, to meet the legitimate aspirations of Egypt, and if the extremists hope by shouting to induce the British Government to make greater concessions than are justified by wisdom and by the history of the past forty years, they will be sadly disappointed. British policy in Egypt has always been marked by a desire to leave the country to itself as far as is consistent with the security of communications, her defence, the protection of foreign interests and of the Sudan. We made a declaration in 1922, terminating the Protectorate formerly held, introducing a proper Constitution, but retaining the defence under British control. It is the expressed necessity for the retention of British troops in Egypt for a period of ten years that has proved the great stumbling block in the present negotiations. The Egyptian Cabinet contends that such terms imply the right of Great Britain to occupy Egypt, but whether or not this is true, stern facts dictate the clause. Egypt could never resist interference by a foreign Power if an attempt was made, while we have special interests which must be preserved until we are satisfied of Egypt's ability to carry out her obligations to international society as an independent sovereign state. We have no doubt Sir Austen Chamberlain went as far as reasonably possible with the Egyptian desire to further reduce the limits of British control. By rejecting the proposals the Wafdist extremists have merely halted the progress of their country as future British action can only be directed in accordance with the declaration of 1922.

FORGED CANTON BONDS.

GREEDY MONEY-CHANGERS SUFFER LOSS.

Considerable numbers of forged Canton Government Treasury Bonds have recently been discovered by victimised money-changers in the Wing Hon Road and other districts of Canton. It appears that the counterfeiters usually hand these forged Bonds to money-changers at night-time to be exchanged for coin at about twenty per cent. of their face value, and in the artificial light it is difficult for the money-changers to see whether the bonds are genuine or not. Many a money-changer, in his greed, had thus been swindled, according to reports from Canton.

DAY BY DAY.

NONE SO LITTLE ENJOY LIFE, AND ARE SUCH BURDENS TO THEMSELVES, AS THOSE WHO HAVE NOTHING TO DO. THE ACTIVE ONLY HAVE THE TRUE RELISH OF LIFE.

There was a clean bill of health in the Colony over the week-end.

The B. I. s.s. Tilawa, which leaves Amoy this evening, is due here tomorrow.

The P. and O. s.s. Malwa, from Hongkong, arrived at Marseilles on the 2nd March at 7.30 a.m.

The B. I. s.s. Shirah, which left Singapore on the 1st instant, is due here tomorrow evening.

Bringing the Australian mails, the E. and A. Company's s.s. St. Albans, is due here from Manila at daylight tomorrow.

Forthcoming weddings announced include that of Lieut. R. A. Peyton, R.N., E.M.S. Argus, to Miss I. McCann Thornhill.

The s.s. President Jefferson, arriving from Seattle and Shanghai, reports the death of one Japanese passenger from tuberculosis when one day out from the former port.

Mr. C. W. L. King, of the Penang Rubber Estates, was a passenger arriving from Singapore this morning by s.s. Suwa Maru. He will depart on home leave by s.s. Empress of Russia, sailing on Wednesday.

This morning's Harbour Office reports gave 18 arrivals and 13 departures, of which seven and three respectively were British, leaving 74 vessels in harbour, British 29. Tonnage was high, but inward freights were comparatively low. Throughs were generally good with British making the highest individual registry of the day, one of 7,950 tons.

The hearing of the case in which Sandager Singh, an Indian watchman of the Standard Oil Company, is being charged before Mr. W. Schofield, with the murder of Jitta Singh, another watchman, has been fixed for Friday morning at 11.30 o'clock. Friday afternoon and next Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons are also being reserved for the case.

Following a recent collision between a junk and a sampan off Pulo Island, near Aberdeen, in which a small Chinese girl was crushed to death, it is learned from this morning's police reports that a Chinese named Kwok Shun-lee, the steersman of the junk concerned in the collision, has been arrested by the police on Saturday and will be charged with the manslaughter of the child.

At the Marine Court this morning, before Commr. J. B. Newell, D.S.O., R.N., Leung Ng, mistress of a cargo boat, was charged with using drags and grapples to lift objects from the harbour bed in the Naval Anchorage, without written permission of the Harbour Master. Pleading guilty, the accused was sentenced to a fine of \$5, with the alternative of five days' imprisonment.

Among shipping movements recorded are those of the s.s. Kan-chow, of the China Navigation Company, from Talkoo Dock, she being scheduled to sail for Shanghai at 2 p.m. tomorrow; the s.s. Wing On, from lay-up, going to the wharf on Saturday and sailing for Hongkong at 7 p.m. tomorrow; and the s.s. Hanyang, taken in hand at Kowloon Docks for overhaul yesterday.

Sir Peter Grain, who has been sitting with the Chief Justice, Sir Henry Gollan, and the Puisne Judge, Mr. J. R. Wood, in the Hongkong Full Court of Appeal, is leaving the Colony on Friday by the s.s. Carmarthenhire for Shanghai. He will be accompanied by Sir Henry Gollan, who will sit in the Full Court of Appeal in Shanghai. Sir Henry is expected to stay in Shanghai for about a fortnight.

HARBOUR ROBBERY CASE.

POLICE UNABLE TO PROCEED.

The charges preferred against a former engineer of the steam launch Wo Fat Shing, in connexion with the armed robbery committed on board the launch on October 12th last were withdrawn by the police, before Mr. W. Schofield at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning.

Sub-Inspector Dorling, who prosecuted, informed his Worship that he had been instructed to withdraw the charges against the defendant.

Defendant was accordingly discharged. It will be remembered that at the previous hearing, the prosecution intimated that the Crown

NEW SCHOOL OPENED.

AN INTERESTING LINK WITH HONGKONG.

Situated at Billericay, Essex, midway between London and Westcliff-on-Sea, the official opening has recently taken place of St. John's School, the Principal of which is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Higby, formerly of Hongkong. Special regard is to be given to the education of lads from overseas.

Dr. J. Douglas Wells, Medical Officer of Health for the Billericay district, performed the opening ceremony. This new building, with house attached, has been erected by the Principal (Mr. W. V. Higby, B.A. (Oxon.)), as a private school for boarders as well as day scholars. Situated in a pleasant spot within half a mile of the railway station, the school, which has accommodation for 100, stands in four acres of ground. There are three departments for boys and girls—senior, preparatory and kindergarten—carried on in five well-constructed classrooms, while provision has been made for extension when necessary. There are dormitories in the school house, where Mrs. Higby, wife of the Headmaster, will be responsible for the care of the boarders.

Mr. Higby presided at the opening ceremony, and his parents were amongst those present.

Importance of Education.

Commenting on the large number present for that ceremony, the Headmaster said that their attendance indicated not only their interest in the school, but that they realized the importance of education and the duty which attached to parents to educate their children to the best of their ability. He proceeded to give an outline of the construction of the building and explained that one of his chief reasons for selecting that site was to obtain sufficient ground for sport adjacent to the school. The four acres available would be most useful for providing football and cricket pitches and tennis courts close at hand.

After dealing with the nature of the curriculum, he mentioned that once upon a time the early stages of education were not considered to be of much importance, but now they all knew that the right amount of education between the ages of five and 14 years was most important, because that was the time when character was formed. Furthermore, there was the importance of that loyalty and good citizenship which, for want of a better term, they called *esprit de corps*. As far as possible, he and the staff wished to lead their pupils into taking pride not only in being clever, but in becoming useful members of society. While the parents might not always see eye to eye with what was done at the school, he asked them to be patient and rest assured that the staff were doing all in their power to further the interests of the pupils. (Applause.)

The Right Spirit.

Dr. Douglas Wells declared that his interest in children of all ages had always been a tremendous one and he realized that education was the important thing for boys and girls up to the time of manhood and womanhood, when they could choose for themselves. Next to the parent, there was no more important man in the nation than the schoolmaster, because, along with the parent, he had in his hands the moulding of those who were sent under his care to be educated in that right spirit to which Mr. Higby had referred—the spirit which was going to keep that great country and Empire of theirs still the greatest empire the world ever saw. In those days, perhaps, more than before the war, there was a tremendous heritage for the children of this country. Education, if it were to be of any success, as the Headmaster had said, had to combine not only the learning which the boys and girls obtained from books, but that sense of discipline, that team spirit, that idea of playing the game and of unselfishness, which went to make up the real man and the real woman. If Mr. Higby continued as well as he had started, they could be quite sure of a fine and flourishing school in St. John's. (Applause.)

relied solely on the evidence of a man now serving a term of three years' hard labour in connexion with the affair. The convicted man, however, almost entirely contradicted a statement which he had previously made to the police, whose case according to Sub-Inspector Dorling had been "knocked on the head" as a consequence. On the suggestion of his Worship, the defendant was, at the last hearing, remanded for the prosecution to consider the position.

The Very Idea!

Mother—"Now Jack had scarcely hid himself in the castle before a great voice boomed out, 'Fee, fi, fum, I smell the blood of an Englishman.' And what do you suppose it was?"

The Kiddies (in chorus)—"The Mayor of Chicago!"

Professor Willibald Richter is said to have the best musical memory in England. He has memorized 2,000 classical compositions.

When eight years old, Professor Richter gave his first piano recital. Next, the famous composer, then patted him on the head and made him his pupil. Professor Richter came to England in 1881, and was music master at Uppingham School until 1887. He is the father of Miss Lillian Rushworth, the singer.

The professor says that no great composer will arise in the present generation. "There is too much noise," he said, "too much hurry-scurry. A genius must develop his gifts in quiet and solitude. Beethoven was lucky because he became deaf. His best work was done while he was deaf."

Clerk at Willenden: Are you single? Woman: Yes, quite.

Man at Bow County Court: He sells racing tips, backs horses with the money, and loses it.

Barrister to an excited witness at Whitechapel: Is it true that— Witness: No.

Willenden man: I am too old to remember dates, and I am only here to speak the truth.

Counsel at Kingston: When the collision occurred, did the defendant say anything to you or to him? Motorist: I am afraid we did.

A resolution that the living wage proposal should be based on the needs of one person—the wage-earner—and that the family allowance scheme should include separate provision for the wife was discussed at a conference of the Welsh Divisional Independent Labour Party at Swansea.

Miss G. Cowles (Pontypridd), who made the proposition, contended that even the I.L.P. ignored the existence of the woman so far as the living wage was concerned.

"The dignity of the wife," she said, "is practically overlooked. When a woman marries, she becomes charwoman, washerwoman, housewife, and many other things. She did most of the work, and yet was least recognised."

Women, urged Miss Cowles, would never take their proper places in public life until they had secured a position of independence. The proposal was defeated.

Chemist (to his stout wife)—"Don't come into the shop for a minute. I am trying to sell six bottles of my fat-reducing mixture."

Mr. A. H. Russell, headmaster of East Bristol Central School, in a lecture to teachers of the National Gregg Association (London section), said that in five or ten seconds any one should be able, without writing, to—

Give the day of the week for any date, such as August 8, 1911.

Tell the cost of 7 cwts. at 1½d. per pound.

Find the cube root of 42,508,549. Divide 68,372,594 by 61.

Mr. Russell made his audience gasp by instantly writing on the blackboard the answer to such sums as 843,769 multiplied by 4,738.

"All lightning calculating," said Mr. Russell, "must come by adopting new methods in the fundamentals."

A gang of labourers were at work on a new road, but one of them lacked enthusiasm for his job, and made little attempt to work.

The foreman, after watching his half-hearted attempts at digging, went up to him and remarked:—"Don't be afraid. Lean on your spade now and then, just for the look of the thing. I'll pay if you break it!"

There is very little local patriotism in London.—Sir John Gilbert.

One man is old at 50 while another is a youth at 70.—Sir Burton Chadwick.

The average national school product can read, can write, can do complicated sums, but can he think for himself?—Miss M. Gladery.

To succeed a man should not be afraid to take chances, have too many irons in the fire, or love pleasure better than his work.—Dr. Bernard Hollander.

I trust racing dogs, which is not a sport and which, without betting, would cease in a day, will disappear as quickly as it has risen.—The Bishop of Coventry.

When the Attorney General (Sir Joseph Horford Kemp) goes on leave shortly, the Hon. Sir Henry Pollock will act in his place. This will create a vacancy on the Legislative Council, for which it is understood, two names are likely to be proposed.

MORTGAGE APPEAL HEARING.**COUNSEL CONTENTS INFANCY NO EXCUSE.****JUDGMENT DEFENDED.**

The mortgage case appeal was continued in the Full Court of Appeal this morning, when Mr. F. C. Jenkin commenced his address on behalf of the respondents.

The appellants are Loo Kwong-lam and Loo Kwong-hin, both of 67, Caine Road, and the respondents are Li Koon-chun and Woo Fat Shing, both of 81, Wing Lok Street, and Kan Tong-po, chief manager of the Bank of East Asia. The appeal is against a judgment delivered by Mr. Justice Wood in an action brought for the setting aside of a mortgage.

Mr. Eldon Potter, K.C., and Mr. H. G. Sheldon are for the appellants.

The case was commenced last Wednesday morning and was continued on Thursday, when Mr. Potter's arguments were heard.

Equitable Relief.

Mr. Jenkin said he would argue that the judgment as delivered by Mr. Justice Wood was right in law and was well warranted on the evidence.

Mr. Jenkin said, the first point he would take, which was, however, not now in dispute but was argued in the Court below, was that by executing the action the plaintiffs were seeking equitable relief. His submission would be that the plaintiffs, seeking equity, could not have relief except upon terms that they put the mortgages back into the position in which they originally were.

Infancy No Excuse.

With regard to the fraud, where it was alleged that the appellants had induced the respondents to become parties to the mortgage by falsely representing themselves to be 21 years of age or over, Mr. Jenkin quoted authorities which stated "an infant shall not take advantage of his own wrong, and infancy shall be no excuse."

Mr. Jenkin commented that infancy never authorised fraud and if an infant induced persons to deal with him by a false representation of age, he was bound by payments made and acts done. He was bound to restore money as well as property.

Mr. Jenkin contended, on an authority, that it was held that a fraudulent mortgage could not be repudiated. Applying that to the present case, if fraud had been proved or admitted by the plaintiffs, then the Court of equity would make an order which Mr. Justice Wood had said could not be made.

Bound as Though Adult.

From the judgment of another authority, Mr. Jenkin said it seemed to be taken almost as an established fact, or incapable of argument, that where an infant plaintiff was fraudulent, there was nothing more to be said about it, and his equity would then quite clearly run against him. With regard to another case of equity, it was stated that if there was a fraudulent representation of age and the Court could not restore the parties to their original footing, then the infant was bound as though he were an adult.

Mr. Jenkin commented that if a plaintiff came into Court, as the plaintiffs in the present action undoubtedly had, then the principle applied against them.

Mr. Jenkin contended that it was clearly recognised by the authorities he had quoted that where a plaintiff was a fraudulent infant he must be put on terms, and only by being so put on terms, could he get relief of any kind.

The case is proceeding.

JAPANESE CRUISER.**MODERN BOAT NOW IN PORT.**

The Japanese cruiser Oh-I, now in port, after a long cruise during which she visited Singapore and Saigon, is one of a series of six craft of which the construction was immediately put in hand after the Great War.

Built at Kawasaki yards, and put into service in 1920, the Oh-I is approximately 530 feet in length, 47 feet in width, and has a draft of about 20 feet. Her yacht-like bow and slim appearance have been designed with a view to giving her a maximum speed, 33 knots being attained on turbine engines. Three smoke stacks and a light tripod mast forard are other distinctive features of this cruiser.

Armament appears to have been sacrificed in the Oh-I class for speed, this having been reduced to four guns mounted on twin turrets forard and three guns aft. There are also two anti-aircraft guns and 8 torpedo-tubes.

Captain Hibino is in command. One of her officers died after the Oh-I left Singapore.

LOCAL WEDDING.**POLICE INSPECTOR MARRIED TO-DAY.**

An interesting wedding took place at the Union Church, Kowloon, this afternoon, when Sub-Inspector James Cargill, of the Hongkong Police Force, was married to Miss Isobel Keith Wallace. The bridegroom is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Cargill, of Letham, Forfar, Scotland, while the bride is the eldest daughter of Mr. James Wallace, of Lochgelly, Fifeshire, and a niece of Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Ramsay, Albion Terrace, Kowloon Docks. The Rev. J. Horace Johnstone officiated at the ceremony, which was attended by a large number of guests.

The bride, who was given away by her uncle was attired in a white satin gown, with over-dress of georgette and silver lace, and she also wore a tulle embroidered veil with wreath of orange blossom and white heather. She carried a bouquet of pink and white roses and maidenhair fern, with pink tulle streamers.

Miss Middleton was the bridesmaid, and she wore a dress of pink georgette and silver tissue, with beige satin hat and trimmings to match. Her bouquet was of pink and white larkspurs with mauve streamers.

The bride's aunt was attired in a dress of brown satin, with trimmings of nigger brown lace and fawn and nigger brown hat to match.

Mr. O'Connor was the "best man," whilst Mr. Brearly was at the organ.

After the wedding, a reception was held at the Kingsclere Hotel, Kowloon, and the happy couple later left for their honeymoon, the bride's going-away dress being of champagne crepe de chine silk, with over-dress of white nylon figured with flowers to match her dress, and ermine hat and chapeau de satin cont.

ABSURD LABOUR ACCUSATION.**JAPANESE ACCUSED OF WRECKING SHIP.**

Introducing something original in questions of labour agitation, workers of the Nikka cotton mill, a Japanese concern at Pootung, Shanghai, have protested against the sinking of the Chinese steamer Hsin Tah Ming by the Japanese steamer Atsuta Maru, near Chinkiang, recently, when 300 Chinese passengers lost their lives.

About 40 workers met at a special meeting and were addressed by a leading member of the Labour Union, who went boldly at his job and made the accusation that the "Japanese imperialists had again intentionally wrecked a Chinese steamer and caused the loss of 300 lives."

As a result of the meeting, it was decided to lodge a protest with the Minister of Foreign Affairs, and to give the sailing proper labour colour, it was also decided to ask the Nikka cotton mill management to allocate part of the workers' quarters as union headquarters.

"If every woman and every girl in this country were to give to the Tavistocksquare Clinic for functional nervous disorders the amount of money that they save on each half-inch reduction in the length of their skirts, the 1,000 additional pounds for current expenses would be easily raised." Viscount Lascelles thus showed at the Festival dinner how easy it would be for the clinic to be placed on a satisfactory financial basis.

H.E.'S VISIT TO CANTON.**CHINESE COUNCIL MEMBERS IN PARTY.****REVISED PROGRAMME.**

Revised arrangements for His Excellency the Governor's official visit to Canton, have been announced. Lady Clementi, together with one of His Excellency's A.D.C.'s, Capt. Perfect, and the two Chinese members of the Hongkong Legislative Council, will leave Hongkong on the day steamer on Thursday, March 8th, and His Excellency the Governor, with the Hon. Mr. E. R. Hallifax, C.M.G., and His Excellency's A.D.C., Capt. Whyte, and Private Secretary, Capt. Forster, will go up in two gunboats, H.M.S. Tarantula and H.M.S. Cicula, on Thursday night, reaching Canton early on Friday morning. The official landing will be at 10.30, at the Canton Government Pier.

Later, a reception will be held at Government Headquarters, and lunch will be taken at the British Consulate at Shameen. The afternoon will be spent in sight-seeing, and in the evening His Excellency the Governor will be present at a formal banquet at which Marshal Li Chai-sum will be the host. The guests will include ladies. At the dinner, it is expected that Marshal Li will make a speech, to which His Excellency the Governor will reply in Chinese.

On Saturday, His Excellency and party will have lunch with the Mayor of Canton and he will be the guest at dinner in the evening of the Chamber of Commerce. On Saturday morning, there will probably be an official conference, and on Sunday morning His Excellency the Governor and party will board the Tarantula at 10 o'clock and leave for Hongkong.

ST. GEORGE'S SOCIETY.**ANNUAL REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE.**

The report of the Committee of the Society of St. George, Hongkong, to be presented at the eleventh annual general meeting, to be held in the office of the Hongkong Jockey Club, on the ground floor of the Hongkong Club Annex, on Friday, at 5.30 p.m., states:

Your Committee has pleasure in presenting to you the report and statement of accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1927. The cash balance in hand stands at \$1,351.72, including \$492.52 from the Magazine Fund, and in addition, the sum of \$3,000 is on Fixed Deposit.

During the year numerous calls have been made on the Society for assistance and grants to the sum of \$1,588.25 have been given. On St. George's Day a wreath was laid on the Cenotaph and later a tiffin held at the Hongkong Hotel. A cinema show was also held at the Queen's Theatre for the entertainment of soldiers, sailors and airmen. A wreath was also laid on the Cenotaph on Armistice Day.

During the year, 30 new Members joined the Society.

The accounts have been audited by Messrs. Love, Bingham and Matthews to whom our thanks are due.

The death has occurred of Councillor W. B. Thompson, the Mayor of Gravesend, at the age of 75. Mr. Thompson was a retired Civil Servant, and for 20 years served on the Gillingham Council before going to Gravesend.

THEOSOPHY'S AIMS.**MR. RUSSELL ADDRESSES LOCAL LODGE.**

At last evening's public meeting of the Hongkong Lodge of the Theosophical Society, Mr. John Russell gave an address on "Revelation and Theosophy." He said that in Theosophy one found a revelation which included all that was essential in the great religions, past and present, and thus brought together the essential contributions of the East and the West in a bond of Brotherhood, which nothing should separate. Theosophy vastly added to and deepened the popular presentation of all religious teachings of East and West, by lifting the veil from the deeper teachings and the vast store of occult knowledge which throughout the centuries were closely guarded and kept from reach of the masses.

It was sometimes said that Theosophy provided an answer for all the problems of life. Theosophy indeed explained the difficulties of life and filled the cup which was brought to be filled. The revelation which Theosophy had brought was not only a revelation in the form of a teaching, in the form of a philosophy; it was also the placing before all of an ideal of perfection, an ideal seen beyond and outside ourselves as well as an ideal within us, ever urging us to discover the great reality within, that Kingdom of Happiness which we enter by knowing and living in our true nature.

We should take full advantage of the knowledge of our greater self as revealed to us through Theosophy and help the world by the divine power of thought to reach that perfection which was the goal and end of all. To those who prepared themselves to receive it, Theosophy gave such revelation, such a glimpse of the eternal and real, that one could scarcely realise the tremendous effect it had in changing our whole outlook upon life.

Let them study and live the God Wisdom which mightily and sweetly ordereth all things, and thus help a weary and troubled world to enter lasting peace, in World Brotherhood, through the realisation of its unity and the knowledge of the greater divine self within all men. To lead the world to this higher stage in evolution, and to point out the path of divine perfection, open to all those who aspire, of whatever race and creed—therein lay the divine message and great revelation of Theosophy to the world to-day.

FAMILY SHOT IN BED.**BANKER VICTIM OF BOURSE BLACK FRIDAY.**

The editor of the principal newspaper in Gotha, the Gothaer Tageblatt, recently received the following letter:

To-night Droste, the banker, ended a laboursome and earnest life by voluntary death and took his family with him to a better world.

Thus there is again a victim of the false economic policy of Scharht [president of the Reichsbank] and that Black Friday on the Stock Exchange which deprived many capitalists of their property. The payment of creditors is provided for in the will.

A visit to the banker's house showed that he had shot his wife and his three children, aged 2, 4, and 6, while they were in bed, and then shot himself standing before his wife's body.

The customers of his bank were mostly country people and small tradespeople, and it is feared that they will lose heavily.

WHAMPOA CADET COLLEGE.**FIVE HUNDRED STUDENTS LEAVE FOR NANKING.****ORGANISATION PLAN.**

The report that the Whampoa Cadet College is to be re-organised has been confirmed.

Some time ago, Marshal Chiang Kai-shek, leader of the Nanking Nationalist Government, sent a delegate to Canton to negotiate with Marshal Li Chai-sum to transfer the students of the College to Nanking, at which place a new military College will soon be opened. It is reported that a few days ago Marshal Li consented to Chiang Kai-shek's proposal and on Thursday 500 students of the College left by steamer for the North. It is learned that most of them are natives of Northern provinces, not Cantonese.

The Whampoa Cadet College is now to be reorganised and renamed the Military Academy of the Two Kwangs, and Marshal Li Chai-sum will become its Principal.

It appears that new instructors are to be secured for the new Academy, for in his letter to Marshal Li Chai-sum, Marshal Chiang Kai-shek made clear his desire that all the old instructors of the Whampoa Cadet College should accompany the students to Nanking, adding that those who failed to go to Nanking within a certain period would be dismissed from service.

An unofficial report states that Marshal Li Chai-sum has resolved to ask Mr. Li King-yung to look after the affairs of the new Academy at Whampoa.

HOW MUCH DO YOU KNOW?**TO-DAY'S QUESTIONS.**

The following general knowledge paper has been taken from the Daily Express.

Answers, for those who need them, will be found on Page 14 of this issue.

1. What historic relic has just been found in a cottage hospital?
2. Where is there a newspaper which contains articles in five different languages?
3. What and where is Krakatoa?
4. How does a yachtsman "second-line the mainsail"?
5. What is the difference between a crow and a rook?
6. Who was the first Thomas Hardy whose memorial is in Westminster Abbey?
7. What, according to the Registrar-General, is the healthiest of occupations?
8. How many cinemas are there in the County of London, and what is the weekly total of their visitors?
9. What alterations mark the pennies bearing the date 1928?
10. What are Scrag Bibles, and who was responsible for their existence?
11. What is the oldest European war relic in the Imperial War Museum?
12. Where are footprints used instead of finger-prints for the identification of criminals?

A German railway truck, supposed to contain sulphuric acid, which was being sent from Berlin to Russia, exploded at the railway station of Rzeszow, Poland. Pieces of the iron containers were hurled 600 feet in the air. According to one account, it is suspected that the barrels, instead of containing an ordinary commercial chemical substance, were full of the most dangerous high explosives.

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An interesting group taken at Government House during the official visit of Marshal and Madame Li Chai-sum. Included in the picture are Lady Clementi and children, Madame Li Chai-sum, Madame Li Man-yan (on Lady Clementi's right and left respectively), Lady Chow, and Mrs. R. H. Kotewall. (Photo: Mee Cheung.)



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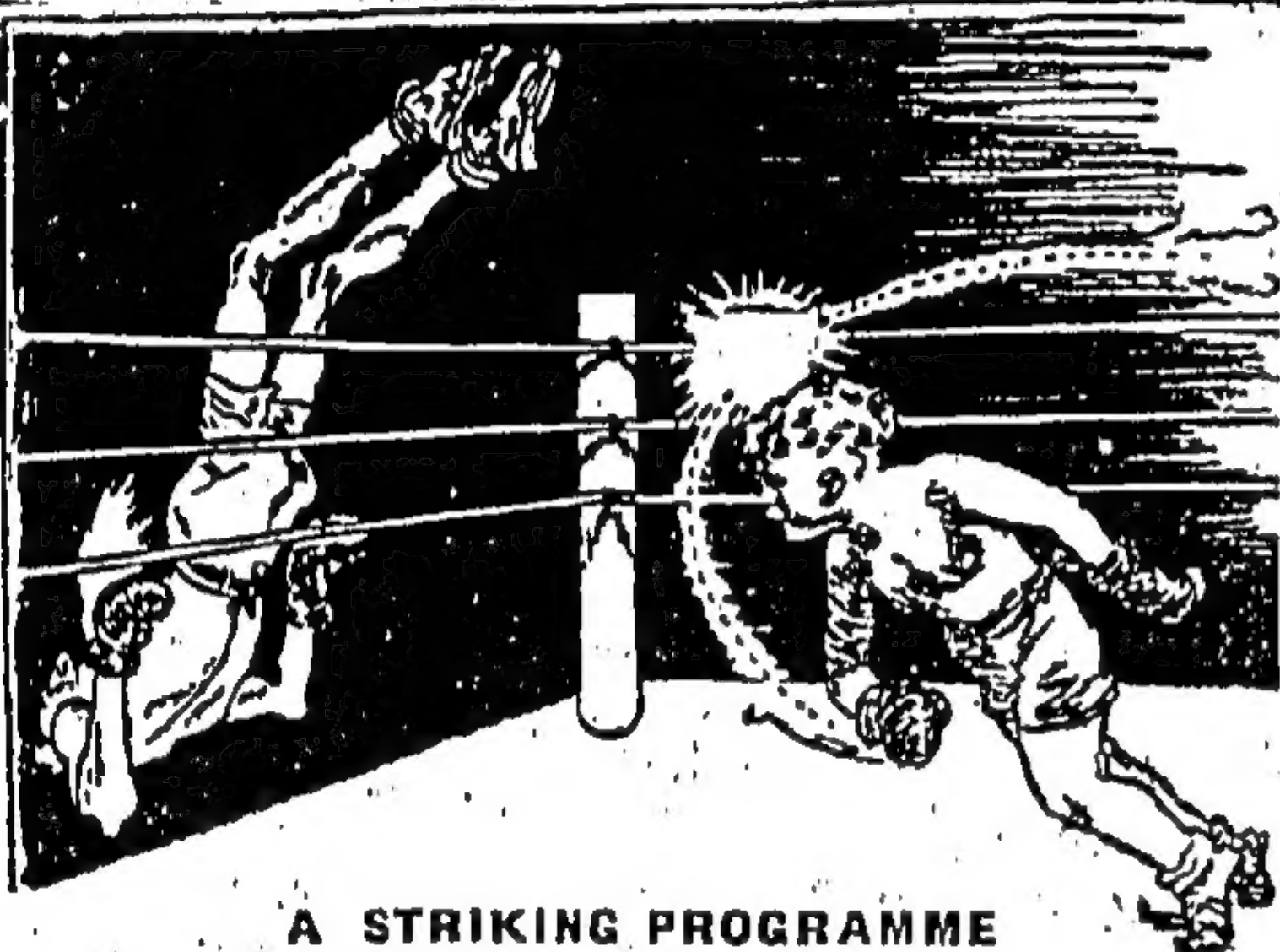
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THE WORLD OF SPORT

SHIELD SEMI-FINAL STRUGGLE.

KOWLOON & CLUB TWO HOUR FIGHT.

CLEVER FORWARDS HELD BY VIGOROUS CLUB DEFENCE.

(By "Wanderer")

What share the boisterous wind played on local football on Saturday, it is difficult to estimate, but in no match did the expected happen, while both Junior Shield semi-finals resulted in surprise victories.

The great match, of course, was the Senior Shield semi-final between the H.K.F.C. and Kowloon. The sides fought for nearly two hours without achieving a definite result, and a replay is necessary.

The match was excellent in its way. Fought out in the typical cup-tie spirit at a fast pace throughout, there were constant thrills, and if Kowloon were a trifle unfortunate not to gain the day, the Club must be congratulated on a fine defensive display against a lively forward line.

The League match between the K.O.S.B. and the R.A.F. was drawn after a great struggle. The results are appended:

SENIOR SHIELD SEMI-FINAL.
Kowloon 1 H.K.F.C. 1

JUNIOR SHIELD SEMI-FINALS.
K. O. S. B. 1 St. Joseph's 0
Kowloon 0 Chinese Ath. 2

Senior League.
R. A. F. 1 K. O. S. B. 1

Junior Division "A."
S. China "A" 1 University 1

STEWART'S GREAT GOAL.
Kowloon Fail to Win After Scoring First.

Even the stimulus of the first goal failed to give Kowloon victory in the keenly-contested Shield semi-final on Saturday. The wind played all kinds of tricks with the ball, clever football was almost out of the question, and in these circumstances the undoubtedly superior forward skill of Kowloon was to a big extent nullified.

It was, however, a game of thrills, a hot pace being maintained for the greater part of the game, and if the Club defence tired under the hard work continually forced upon them, they must be congratulated on hanging out until the end. Black and Bishop deserve particular praise for the way they hung on to Northey, the ever-dangerous Kowloon centre-forward.

He gave a glimpse of his remarkable opportunism twenty minutes after the start. Between the time he received a long pass from Muir and drove hard into the net there was scarcely a moment's breathing space, and even had the Club defence not been appealing for outside help they would have had no chance of holding him out.

The equaliser when it came was a great goal, though it had a measure of luck about it. The Club forced a corner and the ball was carried by the wind to Stewart who headed past Angus from at least twelve yards' range at a terrific pace. It literally flew into the top right hand corner of the net and Angus had no chance.

Both sides missed other chances. Simpson had a glorious opportunity of giving the Club the lead soon after the second half had begun. He received about two yards out but shot weakly. Miles had a gift in the first half, but his shot also was misplaced.

The Club were dangerous when they broke away, but, generally speaking, the Kowloon defence in the second half held their own comfortably. Wheeler and Dodson were a superb pair of backs, while the halfbacks Hedley, Sims and McKelvie were a dominant factor. Hedley's tussles with Simpson usually ended in the Kowloon player's favour, despite his comparably slight build, while Sims and McKelvie exercised wonderful judgment in defence and attack.

The centre-half's delightful forward passes kept the Kowloon forwards on the move almost constantly. They were a clever line, the right wing showing up brilliantly in well-executed movements. Watson had a giant task in trying to hold them, but he received splendid support from Bishop.

Kernick gave his best display of the season. Had he had any luck he must have won the game for his side, but when the ball came to him in the goal area, he was usually

busted off by the vigorous Club defence. In midfield he led them in a merry dance, dribbling delightfully and plying Duncan with perfect passes.

On the left, Kowloon were not so prominent, both Muir and Miles suffering from injuries early in the game. Muir was always an effective force, however; he worried the Club defenders constantly, and he was always waiting to dip the ball to Northey. One shot of his in the second half almost caught Rodger napping.

Scott was the best of the Club forwards until he was badly shaken in a collision with his club-mate, Taylor, but the line was not nearly so impressive as the opposition. They were quick on the move and shot at every conceivable opportunity, but their movements were not well constructed.

Stewart played a wonderful game at centre-half for the Club. Hard-worked and always faced with the necessity of keeping a close eye on the elusive Northey, he still found the energy to force the play forward, while his goal was perfect in its accomplishment, if Fortune was favourable in the manner in which the ball came to him.

In the last twenty minutes, and in the extra time, Kowloon enjoyed almost entire territorial advantage, and the Club goal had miraculous escapes. The Club were occasionally dangerous by exploiting their speedy wingers, but Wheeler and Dodson had both coolness and understanding and only once was Angus seriously troubled, a long shot by Scott giving him an opportunity of bringing off a glorious save.

Kowloon's superior team work gave them the balance of play. The forwards worked with good understanding and the defence did yeoman service throughout.

The Club defence was conspicuous for the keenness of its tackling. Occasionally they were inclined to be vigorous and none of the Kowloon forwards escaped without bruises, but this is the spirit of cup-tie football, and there were few complaints.

A word should be said for the magnificent display of Black, who proved himself a back of cool judgment in spite of the wear of years. He fully justified his position in the side; indeed, there were times when he made the youngsters look foolish by the calmness with which he deprived them of possession. Bishop displayed great activity in tackling, his judgment was rarely at loss, and his kicking in a difficult wind excellent.

Both defences may be said to have played exceedingly well, while Kowloon's forwards were a much better line than that of the opposition. If Kowloon had essayed to shoot a little more frequently they would probably have won. The extra time was not nearly so interesting. Both teams were tired after a gruelling struggle and the ball was continually out of play.

K.O.S.B. RESERVES OUT.

Chinese Athletic and St. Joseph's For Final.

Chinese Athletic and St. Joseph's qualified for the final of the Junior Shield Competition, both sides bringing off surprises. St. Joseph's have proved to be the first side to inflict defeat on the K.O.S.B. Reserves since the battalion arrived in the Colony. Assisted by a strong wind in the first half they held a lead of two goals at the interval. The Borderers pressed hard after the interval, but only once met with reward.

On the Club ground an almost similar state of affairs existed. The Chinese Athletic, twice defeated by Kowloon in the Junior League, gained an interval lead of two goals playing with the wind. In the second half, they concentrated on defence and there were exciting times round the Athletic goal, Kowloon, however, failing to secure the satisfaction of a single goal.

Borderers Draw Again.

The K.O.S.B. have drawn more games, I believe, speaking from memory, than any other side in the Senior League. The match with the R.A.F. resulted in a sharing of the points, though the Borderers were hard put to it to equalise after Birch had given the Airman the lead in the first half.

The Borderers were more methodical than the opposition, but the R.A.F. put up a capital defence. It was very near to the final whistle when Campbell burst through and scored a capital equaliser.

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DIVISION III.

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"MACBETH" IN MODERN GARB.

NEW PRODUCTION IN LONDON.

London, Feb. 7.

"Macbeth" in khaki with a conventional toothbrush and military moustache and Lady Macbeth in short skirts and silk stockings was witnessed last evening at the "Royal Court" Theatre when Sir Larry Jackson produced the tragedy up-to-date (including a whisky decanter, soda siphon and professional music before the happy scene).

The shouts of the crowds and the noise of artillery and machine guns were rendered by a gramophone, the only suggestion of antiquity being the three witches. The modern version was well received, though the storming of Macbeth's Castle by steel-helmeted and khaki-clad warriors firing rifles moved the audience to unrestrained laughter.

The Bishop of Marseilles, Monsigneur Champavier, has died at the age of 61 after a short illness. He was appointed in 1923.

KING'S COLLEGE OPENED.

(Continued from Page 1.)

tained four class rooms, on the site of the existing Vernacular Middle School, a spot which had been used hitherto as a rubbish heap, or in local parlance—*Lap Seng Tan*. Mr. Fung retained the Headmastership for a further period of 12 years, until 1903, when he retired on pension. Mr. Fung is with us to-day, hale and hearty, and a witness to the fruit of his pioneering. Mr. W. H. Williams succeeded to the Headship in the same year, and remained at Salyngun until 1905, when he was transferred to the Victoria British School which came into being at this time. My tenure of office dates from June of that year.

The following figures are instructive and illuminating:—For 1905 the average attendance was 51.6 and fees amounted to \$754; for 1906, average attendance 92.1 and fees \$1,907; for 1907, average attendance 216.0 and fees \$4,496; for 1908, average attendance 296.9 and fees \$6,704.

Building Enlarged.
The success of the school being now assured—at one time it was proposed to close it down—the building was enlarged by the addition of six new class rooms; fees were increased to \$3 a month, and classes were limited to 40. Even these additions, amendments, and restrictions proved inadequate, and it is no exaggeration to say that each succeeding year scores of would-be students were refused admission.

The year 1909 which marks the apex of attendance in the old building, saw the addition of two more sheds to the class-room accommodation, and although intended for temporary use they served for teaching purposes for a period of 16 years. In that year, the average attendance reached 403.0, and fees for the same period totalled \$9,152. Thus, in the brief space of four years, numbers had increased eight-fold.

Yet another phase dates from this year. The transfer of Mrs. Morris from the post of Headmistress at Victoria British School to Salyngun in September, 1909, marked a new era, not only in the history of Salyngun School, but in the education of Chinese boys in Government Schools in Hongkong, for Mrs. Morris is the pioneer lady teacher. Lord Lugard, then Sir Frederick Lugard, speaking of this innovation, i.e. the introduction of lady teachers into boys' schools, said: "I am sincerely glad to hear from the Director of Education that the experiment has proved a success."

Lady Teachers.
The experiment was extended to Queen's College and the other Government Schools, and to-day each counts one or more lady teachers on its staff. Speaking with inside knowledge of the good foundations laid by Mrs. Morris in the lower classes, I would be failing in my conception of the debt we owe her, if I did not acknowledge that the measure of success attained at Salyngun was due very largely to her loyal co-operation, indefatigable support, influence for good, and above all her sacrifice, in all that appertained to the well being of the school.

Sixteen years teaching in a matched savours more of India than Hongkong, and might be the title of a book dealing with the progress and development of Educational practice in Hongkong. The year 1910 marks yet another advance in the staffing arrangements, for at this time the first English Assistant Master was appointed.

In 1914 plans were prepared for the further extension and rebuilding of the school, and the temporary transfer of pupils and staff to Ellis Kadoorie School during the reconstruction, but the conditional promise of the late Sir Ellis Kadoorie to present that building to the Government and the subsequent fulfilment of that promise deferred the development of Salyngun School, a delay which has been more than compensated for in this present structure.

Need For New Building.
One of the earliest references to an entirely new building is contained in the answer to a question put by Sir Henry Pollock at the introduction of the budget on October 24th, 1917. In reply, H.E. the late Sir Henry May recognized the necessity of providing a new building on a new site.

The following year on October 18th, 1918, the late Mr. P. H. Bolyard in his Budget speech referred to the disadvantages and inadequacy of the old building and pressed for a new one, and his remarks were endorsed by the late Mr. Ho Fook and the late Mr. Chan Kai-ming, the two Chinese representatives on the Legislative Council at that time. Sir Claud Severn, in reply, held out hopes of removal to a larger and better site, but it was not until 1921 that the Director of Public Works stated in the Legislative Council in reply to Mr. A. O. Lang that an exchange of land was being negotiated. This exchange was carried through, and in 1923 work on the foundations and retaining walls

was started. In April 1924 the contract for the superstructure was let.

As an earlier period, I had been requested to state the requirements of this new school, and the existing building embodied most of these requirements. In the statement I endeavoured to provide for a model school, and how far the Government has complied you can best judge by an inspection of the premises. There were conferences in which the late Director of Education took part, but the design and drawings were the work of Mr. Dawbarn, whose plans have since been selected from amongst many competitors for the new Raffles College at Singapore.

Main Features.

To enumerate briefly the main features of this building, King's College contains 29 class rooms, a physics laboratory, a chemistry laboratory, library and museum, art room, gymnasium, great hall, cinema projecting room, workshop, covered playground, photograph room, swimming pool with sand filter and the storage tank; lavatories and cloak rooms on each floor; staff rooms, Headmaster's and Clerk's offices and sanitary arrangements of the latest and most approved type. The equipment is not yet complete. The gymnasium and workshop need apparatus, which it is hoped to provide this year.

I wish to remind our many Chinese friends and patrons, that while a benevolent and paternal Government provides for the running expenses of this institution, there is much that they can do to show their appreciation and recognition of the facilities provided for in this building for the education of the rising generation. The boards upon these walls indicate that a few scholarships have been endowed; more and yet more are required, and while I am diffident of enumerating all our needs in detail, I will be most happy and willing to state them to any who are interested.

Mr. Fung Ping Shan has promised to equip the Chinese section of the Library, while from other benefactors, donations have been received, certain of which have been expended on the English side of the Library. A gift which is highly appreciated is the latest edition of the Encyclopedia Britannica, the gift of Mr. H. W. Ray, manager of the Hongkong Amusement Co., and a former Assistant Master at Salyngun School.

A Super-Building.
In conclusion, the Government and the Colony generally are to be congratulated on possessing, such a super-building, a building with scarcely an equal anywhere. The Duke of York School at Dover, the latest and most up-to-date of the Army Schools, is deficient in many of the features embodied here and surpasses this College only in respect of its playing grounds of which there is a real and urgent need in Hongkong.

A school which has accommodation for 500 students should be considered by the Recreation Ground Committee when allotments are made. While there appears to be no hope of amelioration in the immediate future, an eye must be kept on the possibilities of laying out a Football Recreation ground at Pokfulam or even as far afield as Aberdeen, which locality is served by buses and launches, and is accessible.

The Siamese Prince who went over the school in December, 1926, was much impressed with what he saw, and like the Queen of Sheba who after viewing the Temple at Jerusalem was constrained to say "The half has not been told."

The students too are to be congratulated on being permitted to attend such a fine school, replete with all necessities and comforts. Here I would add a word of warning and exhortation to guardians and pupils:—the unswerving loyalty of all is demanded—loyalty to the Government and the school—and it is sincerely hoped that no-one, willy-nilly, through any ill-considered act or advice, bring discredit upon the escutcheon of King's College.

Patrons and Donors.
His Excellency then followed with an address, which was being delivered as we went to press. Amongst a large number of patrons and donors are the following:—Sir Robert Ho Tung, one scholarship; Mr. Chan Pek-chun, one scholarship; Mr. Chan Shek-shan (deceased), one scholarship; Mr. Woo Hay-tong, a guaranteed income of \$1,000 per annum for scholarships and other purposes; also, Donation \$25; Mr. Ho Kom-tong, \$1,000. Endowment of Scholarship, Alfred Morris also doubled the value of the Ralph and Ho Kom-tong Scholarships; Mr. Hu Cheong, \$1,500 Endowment of Scholarship; Mrs. Chan Shek-shan, \$900 donation and part of one portrait in oils of the late Mr. Chu Shek-shan; Mr. Tsang Pok-ki, \$450, cost of school badge in enamel (executed by Messrs. Maplin and Webb); Mr. Fung Ping-shan, Chinese books for the Library; Mr. H. W. Ray, \$300, cost of new edition "Encyclopedia Britannica."

FANLING STEEPLE-CHASE.

LARGE CROWD AT SPRING MEETING.

Favoured with glorious sunshine the spring steeplechase meeting of the Fanling Hunt attracted an unusually large crowd. It was an ideal day and no doubt many who proceeded to Kwai did so as much for the day's outing as for the sport provided.

The racing was interesting throughout, and the public on the whole gauged the form pretty accurately. The defeat of Easter Day by San Diego came as no surprise following the latter pony's recent improvement in flat racing. Messrs. Reidy and Shillington secured two wins each, and Mr. Usher and Mr. Potts annexed the honours in the remaining two races.

The biggest disappointment was the accident to Caviro in the fourth race. Mr. Bullock was in the saddle and the pony was made hot favourite. Mr. Bullock had the misfortune to be unseated whilst running on flat ground just before the last hurdle. He was then in the lead and the "spill" was a keen disappointment to the supporters of Caviro.

Dowling Cup Handicap. About 1 1/2 miles.—For Cup presented by Major H. B. Dowling, 2nd prize \$20. For China ponies kept in the M.L. Lines to be ridden by owners, being Members of the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps.

Mr. Potts' Craigavon (Mr. Potts) 1

Dr. Durran's Drake (Mr. Durran) 2

Mr. Macnamara's James Pigg (Mr. Macnamara) 3

Also ran: Mr. Watson's Vincent (Mr. Watson), Mr. Beck's Smart Guy (Mr. Beck), Col. Bird's Strathguy (Col. Bird), Mr. Backhouse's Sheila (Mr. Backhouse).

A neck, many lengths.

Parimutuel: Winner \$11.50, Places 1st \$5.20, 2nd \$3.50, 3rd \$2.50.

Winner's Places.

Craigavon 51 70

Drake 50 60

James Pigg 13 35

Strathguy 5 3

Sheila 4 16

Vincent 4 6

Smart Guy 4 5

March Maiden Stakes. About 1 mile.—First prize \$75, 2nd prize \$20.

For China ponies that have never won a Steeplechase. Weight for inches as per scale. Ponies that have started this season at Kwai allowed 5 lbs.

Mr. Shillington's Ace of Spades (Mr. Shillington) 1

Mr. Crabbe's Gold Medal (Mr. Bullock) 2

Mrs. Patterson's Scooter (Mr. Miller) 3

Also ran: Mr. Macnamara's Lord Scampardine (Mr. Elliott), Lt. Com. Heaton's Safety First (Mr. De Villiers), Col. Hayley Bell's Shady Joe (Mr. Hayley Bell), Messrs. Stanton and Reidy's Tarzan (Mr. Usher), Mr. Durkin's Yellow Shadow (Mr. Durkin), Mrs. Dyer's Yorkie (Mrs. Reidy).

Many lengths; 2 lengths.

Parimutuel: Winner \$21.20, Places 1st \$7.50, 2nd \$7.70, 3rd \$13.50.

Winner's Places.

Tarzan 50 50

Gold Medal 45 40

Ace of Spades 37 50

Yorkie 19 26

Scooter 8 16

Shady Joe 9 9

Yellow Shadow 5 10

Safety First 3 2

Lord Scampardine 2 1

Harford Cup. About 1 1/2 miles.—For a Cup presented by Mrs. G. B. Harford with \$100 added, 2nd prize \$40, 3rd prize \$20. For China ponies. Weight for inches as per scale. Winners this season of one open Steeplechase 5 lbs. penalty, if two or more 10 lbs. penalty.

Messrs. Stanton and Reidy's San Diego (Mr. Reidy) 1

Mr. Erskine's Easter Day (Mr. Erskine) 2

Dr. Pierce Grove's Sings Plover (Mr. Morgan) 3

Also ran: Mr. Watson's Blotting Paper (Mr. Durkin), Mr. Backhouse's Nimrod (Mr. Backhouse).

4 lengths; many lengths.

Parimutuel: Winner \$5.50, Places 1st \$3.50, 2nd \$4.10, 3rd \$4.50.

Winner's Places.

Caviro 170 101

Easter Day 62 57

Blotting Paper 12 27

Sings Plover 3 2

Nimrod 1 6

March Handicap. About 1 1/2 miles. First prize \$75, 2nd prize \$20. For China ponies.

Messrs. Dyer and Beith's Loch Rannoch (Mr. Reidy) 1

Mr. Sturt's Two Step (Mr. Clark) 2

Dr. Pierce Grove's Little River (Mr. Morgan) 3

Also ran: Mr. Macnamara's Caviro (Mr. Bullock).

4 lengths; many lengths.

Parimutuel: Winner \$16.40, Places 1st \$3.50, 2nd \$4.10, 3rd \$4.50.

Winner's Places.

Caviro 170 101

Loch Rannoch 72 62

Little River 10 4

Two Step 5 6

Scotts Guards Regimental Race. About 2 1/2 miles over natural country, finishing round the Steeplechase course.—For a Cup presented by Lt. Col. Sir Victor Mackenzie, Bart., D.S.O., M.V.O., 2nd prize \$20. For China ponies the property of officers of the Scots Guards. Weight for inches as per scale.

Mr. Usher's Mowgli (Mr. Usher) 1

Mr. Erskine's Rupert (Mr. Erskine) 2

Mr. Erskine's Alhambra (Mr. Miller) 3

Also ran: Mr. Barne's Pekin (Mr. Drummond), Mr. Drummond

TENNIS AT CANTON.

SINGLES AND DOUBLES.

The third round in the American Challenge Cup Tennis Tournament at Canton is about completed. The position up to recent date is as follows:

A. R. Knipp vs. K. Mawardi, won by Mr. Knipp, 6-3, 6-2.

A. T. Lay vs. P. K. Wong, won by Mr. Wong, 6-3, 4-6, 11-9, 6-2.

Y. Misawa vs. P. K. Lau, won by Mr. Lau, 6-2, 4-6, 7-5, 6-7, 6-0.

F. L. Lau vs. M. Shin, won by Mr. Lau, 6-1, 6-1, 6-3.

S. K. Hoh vs. E. D. Remedios, won by Mr. Hoh, 6-4, 6-4, 6-4.

K. C. Wong vs. J. M. Henry, won by Mr. Wong by default.

H. Schneider vs. W. T. Ho, won by Mr. Ho, 6-0, 6-1, 6-3.

K. Iwasaki vs. Y. Matsumoto, won by Mr. Iwasaki, 6-0, 6-1, 6-1.

F. C. Tong vs. Y. Haseba, won by Mr. Tong by default.

F. C. Wong vs. K. Lau, won by Mr. Lau by default.

J. S. McEachran vs. E. Precht, won by Mr. McEachran, 6-0, 6-0, 6-1.

J. S. McEachran vs. S. K. Ng (bye), won by Mr. McEachran, 6-1, 6-2, 6-4.

K. Yamazaki vs. G. W. Greene, won by Mr. Yamazaki, 6-3, 7-5, 2-6, 6-2.

Y. W. Lee vs. P. Backwood, won by Mr. Foo, 6-3, 6-2, 6-3.

K. Matsuo vs. Mr. Sommerlatte, won by Mr. Matsuo, 6-3, 6-3, 6-4, 6-2.

W. L. Cheung vs. C. K. Chan, won by Mr. Chan, 6-7, 6-0, 6-1, 6-1.

K. Matsuo vs. C. K. Chan, won by Mr. Matsuo, 6-1, 6-1, 6-2, 3-6, 9-7.

G. H. Ma vs. K. Y. Lee, won by Mr. Ma, 6-0, 6-2, 9-7.

T. Tsui vs. C. E. Watson, won by Mr. Watson, 6-1, 6-1, 3-6, 6-3.

Doubles.

C. W. Lam and P. K. Wong vs. A. R. Knipp and G. W. Greene, won by Messrs. Knipp and Greene, 6-2, 6-2, 10-8.

H. Schneider and E. Precht vs. H. Ma and T. K. Chan, won by Messrs. Ma and Chan, by default.

Y. Misawa and K. Matsuo vs. W. L. Cheung and S. K. Ng, won by Messrs. Misawa and Matsuo, 6-1, 6-1, 6-2.

K. C. Wong and K. Lau vs. J. S. McEachran and A. T. Lay, won by Messrs. McEachran and Lay, 6-2, 6-2, 7-5.

Murray's Robert (Mr. J. Drummond) vs. Mr. Crabbe's Seal Fox (Mr. Crabbe), 3 lengths; many lengths.

Parimutuel: Winner \$10.50, Places 1st \$5.40, 2nd \$5.30, 3rd \$5.50.

Winner's Places.

Rupert 107 91

Atwood 102 65

Alhambra 17 34

Pekin 4 18

Seal Fox 4 13

Robert 4 9

Moderate Plate. About 7 Furlongs.

For China ponies that have started at this meeting or previously at Kwai. Weight for inches as per scale. Winners at Kwai this season 12 lbs. penalty. Ponies that have started at this meeting allowed 5 lbs.

Mr. Shillington's Ace of Spades (Mr. Shillington) 1

Mr. Erskine's Alhambra (Mr. Usher) 2

Mr. Maas's More Better (Mr. Bullock) 3

Also ran: Dr. Anderson's Honey-moon (Mr. Durran), Mr. Backhouse's Nimrod (Mr. Backhouse), Lt. Com. Heaton's Safety First (Mr. De Villiers), Col. Hayley Bell's Shady Joe (Mr. Hayley Bell), Mr. Miller's Tarzan (Mr. Miller).

2 lengths; many lengths.

Parimutuel: Winner \$8.40, Places 1st \$5.30, 2nd \$5.50, 3rd \$5.50.

Winner's Places.

Ace of Spades 133 70

More Better 68 47

Alhambra 26 35

Tarzan 8 12

Nimrod 4 7

Shady Joe 4 6

Honey-moon 4 5

Safety First 3 7

Cash Sweeps.

The results of the cash sweeps are as follows:

Race I.

Ticket No. 20 \$74.20

" " 9 21.20

" " 12 10.00

Unplaced runners, \$5 each: Nos. 6, 8, 18, 16.

Race II.

Ticket No. 67 \$140.70

" " 62 40.20

" " 11 20.10

Unplaced runners, \$10 each: Nos. 24, 47, 41, 49, 35, 71.

Race III.

Ticket No. 60 \$184.10

" " 3 52.00

" " 30 23.30

Unplaced runners, \$10 each: Nos. 13, 15.

Race IV.

Ticket No. 38 \$203.70

" " 10 53.20

" " 59 29.10

Unplaced runners, \$10 each: Nos. 20, 29.

Race V.

Ticket No. 20 \$133.40

" " 5 52.40

" " 45 25.20

Unplaced runners, \$10 each: Nos. 54, 60, 57.

Race VI.

Ticket No. 10 \$273.70

" " 5 78.20

" " 73 39.10

Unplaced runners, \$10 each: Nos. 18, 27, 35, 64, 53.

Special \$1 Sweep.

The special "A" drawing in the third round was as follows:

Ticket No. 4400 \$2,883.30

" " 3390 823.80

" " 5247 411.90

Tickets Nos. 4448 and 1843 represent the two unplaced starters and the holders received \$108.50 each.

RIFLE LEAGUE.

CHAMPIONSHIP CONTEST AT KOWLOON.

Some good shooting was seen at the Kowloon Rifle Range on Saturday and Sunday when the championship rifle meeting under the auspices of the Hongkong Rifle League was held. That this meeting proved extremely attractive to the service men is evidenced by the fact that nearly all the competitors, totalling 620, were nearly all members of the forces. On Saturday the entrants numbered 240, this being increased by 40 for yesterday's competitors.

The work of organization has resulted in a great amount of work falling on the shoulders of the committee, and the indefatigable secretary, and it is to their credit that, in spite of the almost overwhelming number of competitors, the events were fired off without a hitch and in a time-saving manner. The committee responsible for the meeting was Capt. West, R.M., Lt. Coghill, Lt. Denton, Lt. Mattingly, and Mr. Goodman. The duties of secretary were discharged by Mr. C. H. Summers. The Hon. Mr. D. G. M. Bernard is the President of the League.

Included among the competitors was a team from the Portuguese Company of the H.K.V.D.C., who fired on both days, while the Scottish Company also competed yesterday.

This year no silver cups were awarded but, instead, the prizes took the form of money, being percentages of the entrance fees. By this means numerous prizes were awarded.

On Saturday two events were decided these being Championship of the United Services and the Rifle Team Championship. Both these events were fired in conjunction with each other. They were open to members of the Navy, Army, Hongkong Police, and the Volunteers. The targets were "King's First Stage" (Bisley 1927). Distances, 200, 600, and 800 yards. Two practice shots and seven counting shots at each distance. Rifles—no heard, without aperture sights or slings. No time limit.

The results of the Championship of the United Services were:

200 600 800 Yds.

Mr. Chandler 32 31 33 96

Cpl. Willott, H.M.S. 30 32 29 91

Argus 30 32 29 91

Scotts Guards, 2nd 31 32 28 91

In the count-out Willott took second place as he had the higher score of 29 against Murray's 28 at the longest range.

The Team Championship resulted as follows:

First team H.M.S. Argus. Details:

Lt. Bassett 31 33 21 85

Mr. Barber 31 27 27 85

Mr. Nash 26 30 26 82

Plt. Sgt. Hook 26 29 25 80

Lt. Tel. Wilkins 26 24 31 81

Cpl. Willott 30 32 29 91

Mrs. Reeves 26 33 27 86

Mrs. Hartnell 32 29 24 85

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Second team, H.M.S. Carlisle.

Details:

Mr. Chandler 32 31 33 96

C.E.R.A. Sellers 26 31 25 82

P. O. King 31 30 24 85

Sgt. Woolward 27 27 20 74

Mrs. Masters 27 28 21 76

Mrs. Mitchell 27 28 21 76

Lt. Foster Hall 27 28 18 73

Sto. Forward 27 27 24 79

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Third team, Eighth Destroyer Flotilla. Details:

Lt. Cdr. Arliss 30 29 24 83

Lt. Bury 27 27 21 75

Best 29 29 28 86

Kent 28 24 14 66

Taylor 22 32 27 81

Harmer 26 27 25 78

Seymour 27 26 26 79

Crocker 31 26 30 87

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Yesterday's events were commenced with a Musketry Competition, open to teams of eight, any number of teams being allowed from each unit. Targets were "King's First Stage" with two sighters. At 300 yards 16 rounds rapid in one minute and ten rounds snip shooting at the same distance with 22" Wever targets, three seconds exposure irregularly spread over two minutes.

In conjunction and concurrently was fired the Individual Musketry Competition with the same conditions and open to any individual.

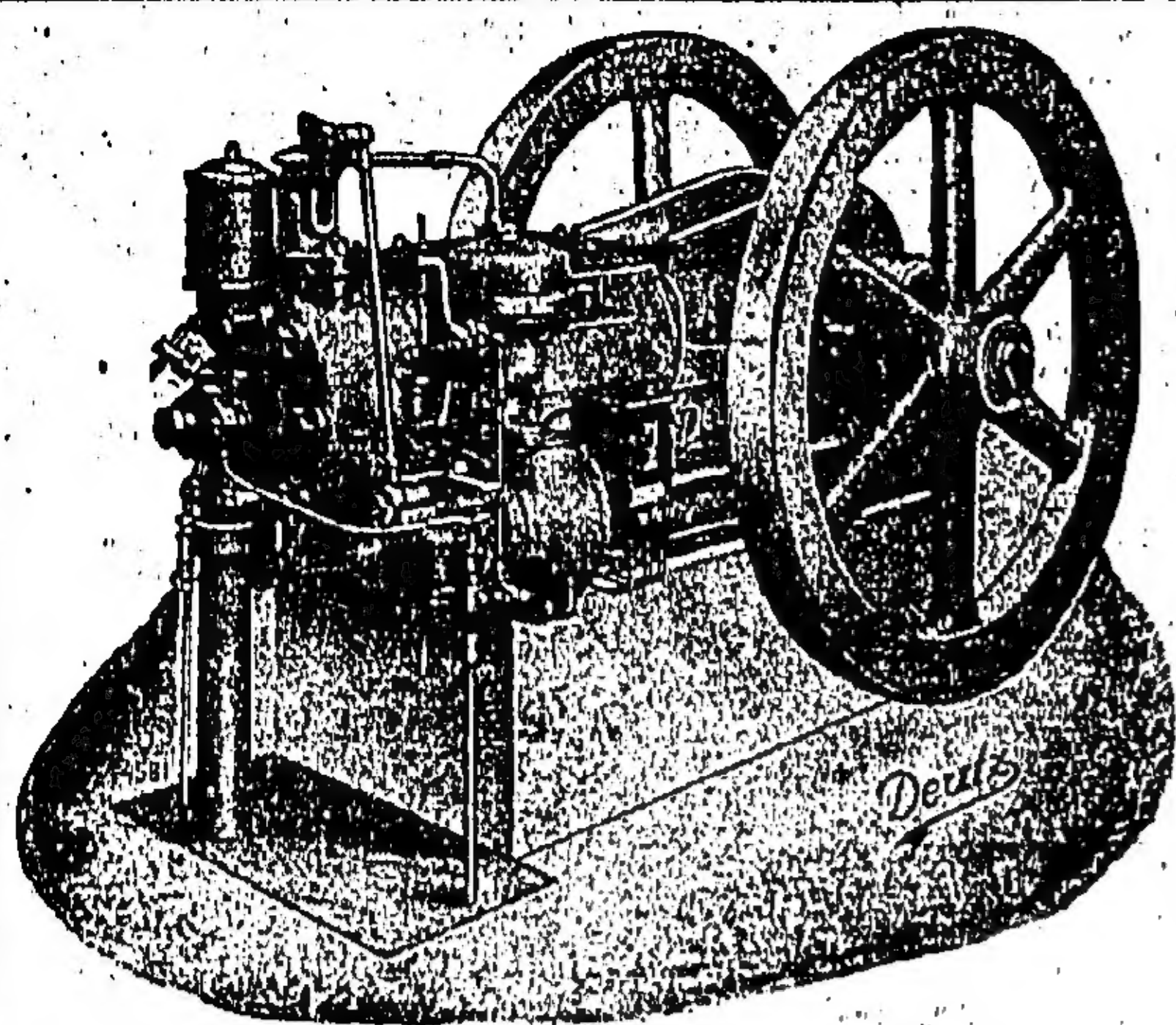
The team competition resulted as follows:—1. Queen's Royal Regiment "A" (602); 2. Queen's Royal Regiment "B" (470); 3. H.M.S. Argus "A" team (402).

Individual:—1. Mr. Chandler, H.M.S. Carlisle (88); 2. Sgt. Barham, K.O.S.B. (79); 3. Mr. Barber, H.M.S. Argus (77).

The title competition drew no fewer than 27 teams from many different units. The distances were 300 and 200 yards, 15 rounds, and a time limit of 1 min. 30 sec. Targets were iron plates which fell on being hit, the winners being the team knocking over their tiles in the shortest time. Results:—1. Scott's Guards "C" team (55 sec.); 2. Scott's Guards "E" team (1 min. 6 sec.); 3. Scotts Guards "A" team (1 min. 14 sec.).

The seventh event was an attack competition for teams. Distances were 400 to 100 yards; 15 rounds per firer, and targets, figure two silhouettes. The shooters commenced at 400 yards and fired five rounds lying, advanced 200 yards and fired five rounds kneeling, again advanced 100 yards and fired five rounds standing. Results:—1. Scotts Guards Headquarters Wing (60); 2. 1st. Queen's (68); 3. H.M.S. Argus (66).

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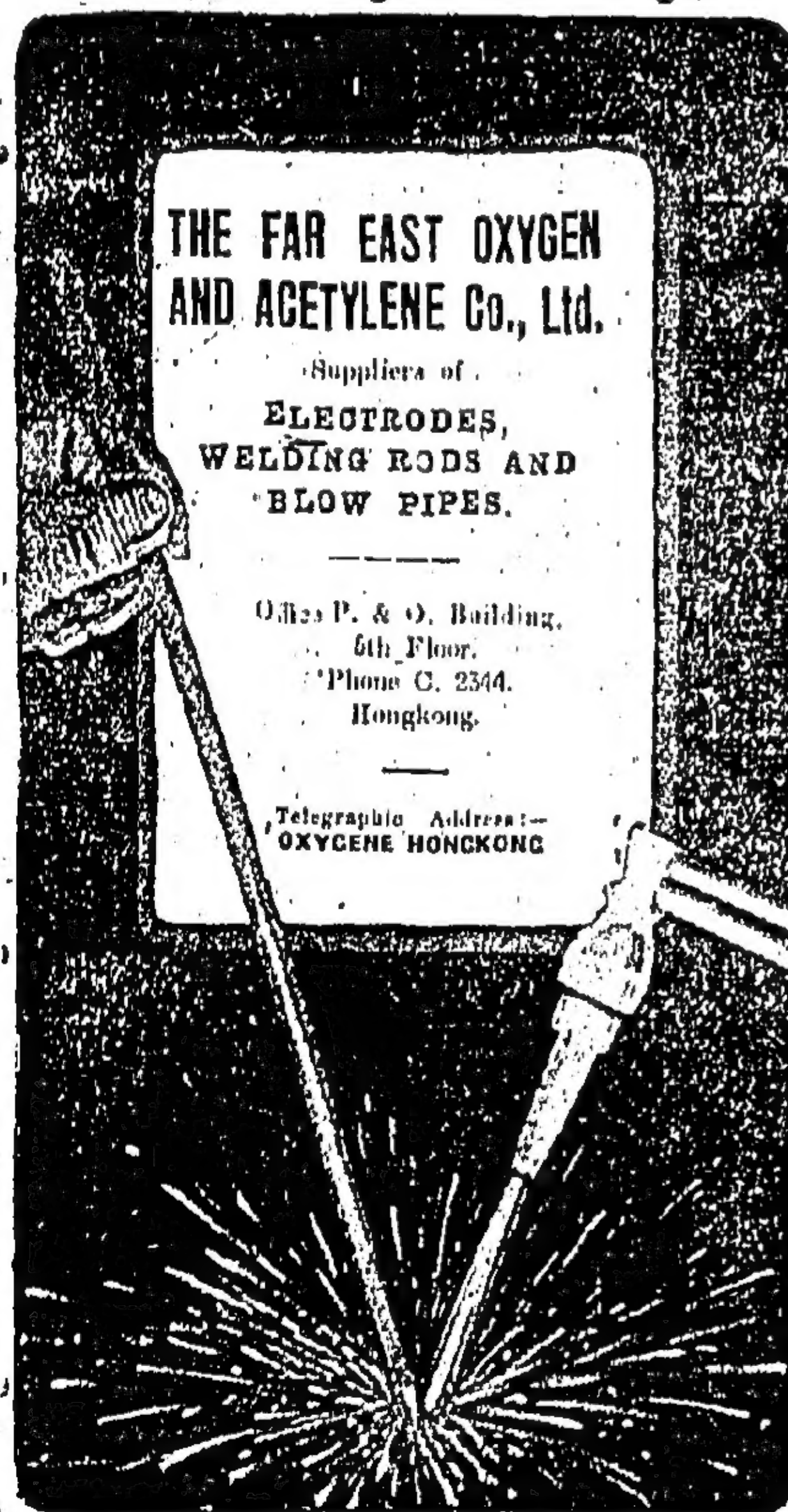
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HOME FOOTBALL.

ENGLISH AND SCOTTISH CUP MATCHES.

The sixth round of the English Cup, played at Home on Saturday, marked the final eclipse of the Second Division teams, Blackburn Sheffield United, Huddersfield and Arsenal winning their matches. The semi-finals will be played on neutral grounds on March 24. In the Scottish Cup, Rangers, Celtic, Queen's Park and Hibernians go into the semi-final. The results of the Cup matches as cabled by Reuter are as follows:

THE ENGLISH CUP

Blackburn	2	Manchester U.	0
Sheffield U.	3	Notts. For.	0
Huddersfield	6	Tottenham	1
Arsenal	4	Stoke	1

THE SCOTTISH CUP

Albion R.	0	Rangers	1
Motherwell	0	Celtic	2
Queen's Park	1	Partick	4
Dunfermline	0	Hibernians	4

Division I.

Burnley	1	Middlesbro	1
Bury	2	Birmingham	3
Liverpool	4	Bolton	2
Portsmouth	3	Cardiff	0
West Ham	0	Everton	0

Division II.

Fulham	5	Bristol C.	0
Hull	0	Chelsea	2
Leeds	0	Grimsby	0
Manchester C.	4	Blackpool	2
Port Vale	3	Notts. County	0
Preston N.E.	0	Clapton O.	0
Sth. Shields	0	Oldham	3
Swansea	3	West Brom	2
Wolves	2	Southampton	1

Division III (South).

Bristol R.	3	Norwich	0
Charlton	1	Torquay	0
Coventry	0	Brentford	0
Gillingham	2	Bournemouth	1
Merthyr	2	Southend	3
Newport	7	Luton	1
Plymouth	3	Northants	3
Queen's P.R.	2	Crystal Pal.	0
Swindon	3	Millwall	0
Walsall	3	Brighton	3
Watford	3	Exeter	2

Division III (North).

Accrington	4	Southport	1
Ashington	0	Bradford	3
Bradford C.	4	Barrow	1
Crowe	2	Tramere	3
Darlington	4	Chesterfield	2
Doncaster	3	Wrexham	1
Halifax	1	Stockport	3
Hartlepool	1	Rotherham	3
Lincoln	3	Rochdale	1
New Brighton	4	Nelson	0
Wigan	3	Durham	0

Scottish League.

Aberdeen	3	Raith	0
Bo'ness	0	Clyde	0
St. Johnstone	2	Falkirk	1

Full League Tables.

The following tables show the positions of the teams in the various League, the mid-week and Saturday's matches having been taken into account in their compilation.

Division I.

Everton	30	14	9	7	78	52	37
Huddersfield	28	16	4	8	68	47	36
Leicester	30	14	7	9	71	53	35
Bolton	31	14	0	14	69	49	34
Cardiff	30	13	8	9	62	50	34
Blackburn	30	12	9	9	46	50	33
Burnley	32	14	4	14	61	68	32
Liverpool	30	11	9	10	68	59	31
Newcastle	30	11	9	10	58	56	31
Bury	31	14	2	15	54	57	30
Aston Villa	29	12	5	12	56	54	29
Sunderland	28	11	7	10	55	53	28
Tottenham	29	12	5	12	60	49	28
Middlesbro	31	10	12	8	62	66	28
West Ham	30	11	0	13	59	67	28
Derby	30	10	7	13	67	67	27
Arsenal	27	10	7	10	57	59	27
Birmingham	30	7	12	11	49	61	26
Portsmouth	30	10	6	14	50	73	26
Sheffield U.	29	9	7	18	51	62	25
Manchester U.	28	16	5	13	47	64	25
Wednesday	29	5	10	14	49	62	20

Division II.

Chelsea	30	18	6	6	57	50	42
Manchester C.	29	18	5	6	76	45	41
Preston	30	16	8	6	66	42	40
Leeds	31	17	6	8	74	51	40
Oldham	30	16	6	8	59	34	38
Stoke	29	15	6	9	64	43	36
West Brom	31	12	9	10	69	55	33
Notts. For.	28	13	6	9	66	53	32
Swansea	30	13	6	11	60	55	32
Port Vale	30	14	3	13	54	46	31
Bristol C.	31	12	7	12	60	49	31
Grimsby	30	10	10	10	46	67	30
Hull	29	9	11	9	34	38	29
Reading	30	9	8	13	44	59	28
Barnsley	30	9	8	13	39	63	28
Clapton O.	30	10	6	14	46	64	26
Barnsley	30	9	8	13	39	63	26
Southampton	31	9	7	15	48	66	25
Notts. City	31	8	9	14	49	59	25
Fulham	30	9	5	16	59	69	23
Blackpool	31	8	7	16	60	82	23
Wolves	30	8	6	16	46	75	22
Sth. Shields	31	4	0	21	41	88	14

Division III (South).

Millwall	30	19	5	6	69	44	43
Northants	28	17	5	6	74	46	39
Plymouth	30	16	5	9	66	42	37
Brighton	30	14	7	9	62	53	35
Queen's Park	30	14	6	10	50	33	34
Swindon	25	14	5	6	65	44	33
Newport	29	13	7	9	50	48	33
Exeter	29	12	9	8	40	40	33
Charlton	28	10	8	4	41	48	30
Southend	28	13	12	5	42	51	29
Bournemouth	29	11	7	11	52	53	29
Crystal Pal.	29	10	9	10	50	56	29
Brentford	31	12	4	15	54	50	28
Gillingham	27	10	7	10	40	48	27
Watford	29	10	5	14	50	57	26
Bristol R.	29	11	2	15	55	69	24
Walsall	31	8	5	17	52	77	23
Norwich	29	7	8	14	62	68	22
Merthyr	30	7	8	15	42	65	22
Coventry	29	8	4	15	48	67	21
Torquay	29	6	9	14	48	71	21
Luton	28	7	5	16	62	70	19

Division III (North).

Bradford	31	21	3	2	83	31	50
Doncaster	30	19	5	7	65	32	41
Tramere	29	18	8	7	73	45	35
Stockport	29	16	5	8	59	39	37
Bradford C.	30	12	10	8	66	46	34
Darlington	29	15	4	10	63	34	34
Accrington	31	13	8	10	61	62	34
Lincoln	31	16	4	11	60	58	34
Wrexham	30	15	4	11	48	47	34
Southport	30	15	4	12	53	50	33
Halifax	30	11	9	10	50	60	31
Rochdale	29	15	1	13	61	59	31
New Brighton	28	11	6	11	50	43	28
Rotherham	30	10	7	13	62	60	27
Hartlepool	31	11	5	15	53	65	27
Chesterfield	31	9	8	14	53	62	26
Crewe	30	8	7	15	58	63	23
Ashington	31	7	7	17	51	83	21
Durham	31	8	6	18	40	72	21
Wigan	31	7	6	18	40	75	20
Nelson	29	8	3	18	52	80	19
Barrow	31	6	7	18	37	85	19

Scottish League.

Rangers	28	20	5	3	87	30	45
Motherwell	30	19	6	5	77	34	44
Celtic	30	17	8	4	71	27	42
Hearts	30	18	4	8	82	41	40
St. Mirren	29	16	6	9	59	69	38
Aberdeen	31	15	4	12	53	54	34
Kilmarnock	30	13	8	9	60	63	34
Partick	29	14	5	10	49	50	33
Falkirk	31	15	3	13	67	56	33
St. Johnstone	31	12	8	11	59	55	32
Cowdenbeath	29	12	7	10	49	51	31
Hibernians	30	10	7	13	55	66	27
Dundee	30	11	4	15	61	69	26
Queen's Park	30	9	6	16	64	68	24
Airdrieonians	30	7	10	13	48	69	24
Clyde	31	8	7	16	57	69	23
Hamilton	30	9	4	17	54	66	22
Bo'ness	30	9	4	17	50	69	22
Raith	29	6	5	18	48	78	17
Dunfermline	30	8	3	24	38	100	0

MORE TOURISTS.

DUE ON FRIDAY BY THE CALEDONIA.

Due here on the early morning of Friday, March 9, the Caledonia, a 17,000 ton new oil-burner of the Cunard and Anchor Line, which is chartered specially by Clark for his eighth world cruise, carries 400 tourists.

The Caledonia will stay two days in Hongkong, sailing from here at 3 p.m. on March 11. Her spacious public rooms, decks, elevator and latest improvements on modern lines, coupled with the vessel's size, speed, safety and luxurious appointments, makes her perfectly adapted for ideal world travel.

Since the world war, Mr. Clark has organised a series of cruises. He inaugurated the campaign in 1922 by two great Mediterranean cruises. This, followed by two simultaneous cruises of the Orient, a task never before undertaken by any tourist company, aroused the wonder and admiration of travellers all the world over.

The extraordinary success of Clark's previous cruises and the popular demand of the American people brought about another unparalleled result, namely, the complete booking up of both these cruises within eight weeks of their public announcement.

Annually since 1923, Clark's Around the World and Mediterranean cruises have been phenomenal successes and for this year, he has chartered the Cunard and Anchor Line's new oil-burner, Caledonia. The cruise offers many attractions, viz, Hilo, the volcano of Kilauea, Shanghai, Jerusalem, Athens and Monte Carlo, besides the usual around the world places like Panama Canal, Japan, China, Java, India, Egypt, etc.

WEDDING BELLS.

SHANGHAI MAN MARRIES IN HONGKONG.

The wedding took place at St. John's Cathedral on Saturday, of Mr. Leonard Warren of Messrs. Lever Bros (China) Limited, of Shanghai, to Miss Hilda Mary Leech, of 55 Gleson Road, Cambridge, who arrived in the Colony on Tuesday by the P. and O. s.s. Mongolia.

The Very Revd. Alfred Swann officiated, and Mr. B. L. Seldon Winton performed the services of best man. The bride, who was given away by Mr. H. A. Pearson, was charmingly attired in a beige over pink georgette frock, trimmed with lace, with a georgette and lace coat trimmed with fur collar and hat with a cluster of dainty flowers at one side.

After the ceremony at the church, a reception was given at the Hongkong Hotel, and later Mr. and Mrs. Warren left for Repulse Bay, where the honeymoon is being spent.

Mr. and Mrs. Warren will be leaving for Shanghai by the President McKinley on Wednesday.

SERVICES RUGBY.

THE ARMY BEAT THE NAVY.

London, March 3. H. M. the King attended at Twickenham for the second Saturday in succession, on the occasion of the Inter-Services Rugby match, which was played in glorious weather before an attendance of 12,000 spectators. The Army beat the Navy by 11 points to 5.—Reuter.

Division III (North).

Bradford	31	21	3	2	83	31	50
Doncaster	30	18	5	7	65	32	41
Tramere	29	18	6	7	73	45	35
Stockport	29	16	5	8	59	39	37
Bradford C.	30	12	10				
Darlington	29	15	4	10	63	43	34
Accrington	31	13	8	11	61	52	34
Lincoln	31	16	4	10	69	58	34
Wrexham	30	16	4	11	48	47	33
Sheff. Port	30	16	10	6	53	50	33
Halifax	30	11	9	10	60	50	33
Rochdale	29	15	1	13	61	60	31
New Brighton	28	11	0	11	63	43	28
Rotherham	30	10	7	13	62	50	27
Hartlepool	31	11	5	16	63	65	27
Chesterfield	31	9	8	14	53	62	26
Wigan	30	8	7	16	68	63	26
Ashton	31	7	17	16	61	85	21
Durham	31	7	6	18	40	75	20
Widnes	31	7	6	18	40	75	20
Nelson	29	8	7	18	52	80	19
Barrow	31	6	7	18	47	85	19

THE METAL BOX

By THOMAS COBB.

(Author of "Pulse Preterence," "Mrs. Darnley's Reputation," etc.)

CHAPTER I.

Theresa.

Foster Markwell was destined to experience several surprises before he had finished with the black metal box which Miss Croom placed so mysteriously in his hands, but none more astounding than the suspicion that Theresa was aware of its contents.

Not only had she in some unimaginable way discovered what these were, but, inconceivable as it at first appeared, there could be little doubt that she was doing her utmost to obtain possession of them. Foster could not have told the precise moment when suspicion entered his mind. A number of apparently unimportant incidents and allusions, had perhaps, cumulative effect, with the consequence that this charming, fair-haired girl with the most wonderfully dark blue eyes he had ever looked into, the most attractive of her sex, whom he had already determined to marry, if she would have him; Theresa Feversham appeared as an adventuress—a "crook," who, moreover, must be working with a confederate.

On leaving Saint Martha's Hospital in the autumn of 1915 Foster had served for a few months on a destroyer, subsequently being ordered to join the army in the near east. Although his father had left him enough money to purchase a practice or a partnership, he secretly felt, on his demobilisation, the slightest inclination to settle down. There was plenty of time. Even when his eyes were open to Theresa's dissimulation, he had only recently passed his thirty-first birthday.

As, however, it was necessary to do something, unless he wished to trench upon his modest capital, he had already taken several voyages in the capacity of doctor in ships of the Yellow Funnell Line, and he had in fact returned from New York aboard the s.s. Egeria shortly before Christmas.

Foster Markwell looked as if he had some association with the sea, with his fair hair, wide forehead, and steady grey eyes. Above the average height and well built, he was not conspicuously handsome, certainly not plain, his mouth was firm and rather wide, his nose, perhaps, a little too short.

Although Miss Feversham had not required his professional services, he had tried to see as much of her as possible during the voyage, being astonished in the first place, that she should be travelling entirely alone without either a maid or a chaperon. Not that it was possible to question her ability to take care of herself, and indeed her gaily irresponsible manner contrasted piquantly with her firmness in dealing with one or two over-adventurous men, whom Foster had begun to hate.

"Will you be staying long in England?" he asked, pacing the saloon deck by her side on the evening before they expected to land.

"You will probably be the first to sail again," she answered.

"It's possible," he said with a laugh. "I may wait for your ship."

"You would have to be patient," she said. "I have taken a furnished flat for three months."

"A flat?" he returned, thinking it remarkable that she was not going to an hotel.

"I had a friend who came over to study painting," Theresa explained. "She took the flat—the finest you can imagine—at Treadwell Mansion."

"Where is that?" asked Foster.

"Oh, nothing would have induced her to live anywhere but at Chelsea, but after some months of it, she was seized by a desire to attend a studio in Paris, and she wrote to ask whether I knew anyone who would be likely to relieve her of her responsibility."

"So, you stepped into the breach?" suggested Foster.

"I had already promised," she said, "to come to England with my uncle later on—you may have heard his name: Elias Feversham."

The name was known, it might be said, wherever the English language was spoken. Elias Feversham was the owner of several newspapers in the United States, and had the reputation of being a multi-millionaire. This relationship was all that Foster knew about her, save that she was the most delightful woman in the world—about twenty-five years of age, he would have said.

"I thought," she continued, "it might be rather amusing to have a few preliminary weeks on my own, and on the spur of the moment I cabled. I don't know

whether I may not find it a wee bit slow after all."

"Not if I may relieve the monotony," he urged. "So I hope you will let me look you up."

As she came to a standstill, leaning against the taffrail, he wondered whether she was going to resent his audacity. For a few anxious moments she did not speak, gazing into his perhaps too eager face with a thoughtful expression on her own.

"Well, you can ring me up, anyhow," she said, with the very slightest trace of a drawl, though it was enough to suggest, quite agreeably, her nationality. "If I don't feel like it," she added, "I promise to let you know."

With this he had to be contented for the present, but after trying to be patient he telephoned a few days after Christmas from his rooms in Upper Baker Street, might he take her out to luncheon?

Again, he fancied she was hesitating, but eventually an appointment was made for the following day. Reaching Treadwell Mansion, a high, gloomy building in a narrow street near the embankment, at one o'clock, he made his way up the stone stairs to the third floor. He had forgotten how charming she actually was.

She was not very tall, slightly below the average height, he thought, and even the prevalent fashion could not spoil her figure.

And she looked unequivocally pleased as she offered her hand, inviting him to enter though she was ready to set forth.

"So you live here entirely alone," he suggested, standing by her side in the limited space of the hall.

"There would be scarcely room for anybody else," she cried, leading the way to the sitting-room on the left. "There's just a bedroom, with a bathroom opposite, and have you ever seen such a wee kitchen?"

As she spoke, she opened a second door, to the right of the gas fire hidden by a heavy, green plush curtain. The kitchen was scarcely more than a cupboard.

"I pig for myself all day," she explained, "and go out to dine every evening."

He determined that henceforth she should not be allowed to go often alone, and when he looked back subsequently it seemed certain that she had known nothing of Miss Croom's treasure on this day of their first luncheon in London together. For his own part he had not heard of the existence of the black metal box. Ignorance was bliss, and Foster Markwell was not enlightened till three days before his aunt's murder.

It was the morning of Tuesday, January the eighth. He found a letter on the breakfast table entreating him to come to her house at Number 5, Baynton Crescent, Haverstock Hill, at seven the same evening. She wanted to speak to him "very particularly."

CHAPTER II.

A Serious Mission.

A confounded nuisance, Foster had seen Miss Croom less than a week ago, when she had been in a state of great agitation on account of a recent burglary, the third in the neighbourhood during the past month. He imagined she still felt nervous and wished to relieve her feelings on the subject. Of course she was a dear, old-fashioned, little woman, his mother's younger sister, and he always remembered to send her picture postcards from abroad, when he came home, however, he found conversation difficult after the first five minutes.

She seldom read a newspaper and she lived out of the world in her one-storeyed, semi-detached house, her only interest in life, apart from the Nonconformist chapel which she had regularly attended for the past fifteen years, being her carefully kept garden.

Foster, having already taken Theresa out two or three times since the beginning of the new year, had intended to telephone after breakfast this morning to make an appointment to dine, but now that would be out of the question. He would not get back from Haverstock Hill in time. Still, he was too good-natured to leave Miss Croom in the lurch, though he grumbled freely as he set forth this cold January evening.

To his surprise it was she who opened the door, instead of her maid; a tiny woman with hair already white and dressed with extreme care. She always seemed to wear a quantity of old lace about her shoulders, and Foster

thought how little would be left of her without it.

"She took him to the sitting-room behind the dining-room, where everything was exactly in its right place. The white flowers under the glass shade in the middle of the oval table had been preserved from his mother's wedding cake, but the first thing Foster always noticed was the enlarged photograph standing in a gilt frame on the top of the black, cottage piano that was seldom opened. The portrait represented a tall, exceedingly thin, weary-looking man in a white drill suit with a suggestion of uniform about it, and a large sun helmet with a puggaree.

This was the late Mr. Croom, Evelyn's father and Foster's grandfather, who had died fifteen years ago. For some time he held a post at one of the smallest but wealthiest of the native Indian courts, but failing health had driven him back to England, where he married a woman considerably younger than himself, who died in giving birth to her second daughter, Foster's mother having been the first.

Mr. Croom had a reputation for eccentricity and miserliness. His grandson always thought that he looked as if he had committed a crime and suffered ever after from ceaseless remorse. A good many people were astonished that he left so little behind him, and, in fact, his solicitor had advised Miss Croom to invest what there was in the purchase of a Government annuity.

By the side of the photograph lay a brown paper parcel, about fourteen inches long, eight wide and four deep. It looked as if it contained something hard and angular—a box, for instance.

Miss Croom did not invite Foster to sit down. She seemed to have forgotten in her obvious pre-occupation. He stood talking about the weather, and speculating on the probability of skating, when suddenly she darted towards the piano, taking the parcel in her hands.

"What have you got there?" he asked, as she held it against her breast.

"My dear," she cried emotionally, "I know I can trust you. It would be very hard if I couldn't. There's no one else in all this world belonging to me. I sent Martha out expressly, though she will want to go again on Thursday as well."

"That sounds rather mysterious," said Foster, with a laugh. "Not quite like you, Aunt Evelyn."

"Ah!" she answered with a sigh. She was certainly unlike herself this evening. "How can one human being ever form the slightest idea what another's really like? My life was over and done with before your's well began, Foster," she added, drawing closer and looking up plaintively into his face, "there's something I am going to ask you to do for me. Something very, very important."

"You've only to tell me what," he said solemnly this time.

"I knew you would say that! I want you to take this box away and keep it with the greatest care, till I ask for it back."

"Well," that seems simple enough," he said.

"Yes," she continued, "but you must understand this. If anyone should ever ask for it, you are to say: 'No. Have nothing whatever to do with him. Never mind how specious he may be, or what sort of story he may tell, you are not to part with it till you put it in my hands again.'"

"You mustn't forget," urged Foster, "that sooner or later I shall be off on another voyage."

"When are you likely to sail?" demanded Miss Croom.

"Oh well, I suppose I shall stay ashore as long as the money holds out," said Foster, thinking of Theresa Feversham.

"All I can say is," exclaimed Miss Croom, "that you must have care to give me as long notice as possible. Then I can consider what is the best to be done."

With the air of parting with some precious possession, she solemnly placed the parcel in his hands and though not very heavy, he had expected to find it lighter.

Miss Croom was obviously reluctant to part with it, and to his astonishment, she not only accompanied him to the hall, but across the small front garden to the gate, standing there, peering this way and that through the darkness, as though to satisfy herself there were no lookers-on.

As far as he could judge, the crocotent was entirely deserted. For a few moments he stood there, listening to her exhortations to take the greatest care of the parcel, then promising to preserve it from every kind of danger, he walked away, glancing back, however, before he turned the corner, raising his hat with one hand, while he held the stout string with the other.

Miss Croom was still standing at the garden gate, leaning forward so that Foster could see her white head. He little dreamed as he left Baynton Crescent that he had looked upon her alive for the last time.

(To be Continued.)

(The characters in this story are entirely imaginary, and no reference to living persons is intended.)

RIFLE SHOOTING.

DOUBLE WIN FOR H.M.S. TAMAR.

A triangular match took place at Stonecutters Rifle Range on Friday afternoon, the Tamar and Carlisle shooting a friendly and both teams shooting their League fixture with the Queen's Regt. The result was a double win for Tamar and a win for Carlisle. Scores:

H.M.S. Tamar.

Cpl. Barnett	200	500	600	201
S. M. Counter	31	31	29	91
C. P. O. Gully	26	17	30	73
P. O. Greening	33	34	34	101
Sgt. Hillaby	28	29	27	84
Sgt. Bishop	24	24	29	77
A. B. Rigby	24	29	34	87
Sgt. Riddler	20	28	29	77
Total	216	221	243	680

Plus 4% Open Sights 19

Grand Total

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H.M.S. Carlisle.

Mr. Chandler	32	34	33	99
C. E. R. A. Sellars	26	31	34	91
P. O. King	23	29	34	86
A. B. Haines	23	27	16	66
Sgt. Woodward	24	29	28	81
Sto. Forward	26	29	21	76
Mrs. Masters	26	29	27	84
Mrs. Mitchell	28	29	27	84
Total	211	232	215	658

Plus 4% Open Sights 18

Grand Total

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The Queen's Regiment.

Lt. Sullivan	17	24	25	66
S. M. Harbridge	26	29	18	72
S. M. Marchant	24	30	25	80
Gr. Sgt. Handscombe	23	26	29	82
Sgt. Lowes	27	25	25	77
Pte. Leahy	22	26	23	71
Pte. Keen	29	29	32	90
Pte. Hutchings	29	25	30	84
Total	201	214	208	623

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Shai Cottons, Tls. 60 (old) b.

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Singapore Tractions, 11/9 b.

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United Asbestos \$10 s.

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BREACH ACTION AFTER THIRTY YEARS.

TROUSSEAU THAT GOT OUT OF DATE.

A woman of 50, who said she began to collect garments for her "bottom drawer" nearly 30 years ago, brought an action for breach of promise at Leicester Assizes last month.

Damages of £1,000 were claimed by Miss Annie Mills from Mr. Frank Jesson, aged 53, a wheelwright and dealer.

Mr. C. E. Loseby, for Miss Mills, said the couple had been engaged for nearly 30 years.

At first Jesson said his father was rather peculiar, and would cut him out of his will if he got married, and after his father died in 1916 he postponed the marriage because his sister was consumptive.

Love And Hatred.

His sister died in 1917, and then Jesson said it was no time to get married. They could not live on rations. The wedding was accordingly postponed again, and it was only last year that Jesson broke it off.

Miss Mills began to keep a bottom drawer when they were first engaged, and all the things were now hopelessly out of date.

Mr. Henderson, for the defence, said he had not had sufficient time to consider the statement of claim.

Mr. Justice Sankey: Perhaps, in that case, it would be better if the case went on to the next Assizes.

Counsel agreed, and the jury was discharged.

The Judge: After all this time another couple of months won't make any difference.

LETTER GOLF SOLUTION.

Here is the solution to the puzzle on another page:

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DUCE SPEAKS OUT.

ACTS AND NOT TALK.

Rome, Mar. 3. In the Chamber, Signor Mussolini was loudly applauded when he made a vigorous speech with regard to the position of the German minorities in the Italian Tyrol.

He said, "This is the last time I shall speak on this subject. The next time I shall make acts speak" (loud applause).

He declared that the Austrian complaint was unjustified and provocative. The territory concerned had been treated like other Italian provinces. It is a territory of tyrants, torture, and murder by a barbarous Fascist dictatorship in the Upper Adige were ridiculous. "We are not pupils of Austria, which throughout the last century peopled half Europe with executioners, filled the prisons with martyrs, and erected gallows incessantly."

Press Threatened.

Mussolini next dwell on Italian tolerance. The great public works undertaken by Italy in the Upper Adige had cost hundreds of millions of lire.

He declared that as Italy's great forbearance had been misinterpreted, all the fifteen German newspapers in the Upper Adige would be suppressed if the anti-Italian campaign were continued, and foreign employees would be shortly transferred elsewhere or dismissed.

Cold Determination.

Austrian hostility to Italy was due to the "Germanism" feeling being unable to win against the cold, systematic determination of Fascist Italy. Italy wished to be friends with the Germanic world, provided Italian security were never again even vaguely called into question.

After referring to the German agitation for the remainder of North and South Tyrol, Mussolini concluded, "We make it known to Austria and to the world that the whole of Italy, with its quick and its dead, stands at Brenner" (loud cheers).

Hint in the League.

In the course of his speech, Mussolini, referring to the League of Nations, declared, "If the Assembly of the League thrusts its way into the labyrinth of the so-called minorities, it will never come out alive."—Reuter.

Austrian Allegations.

A Rome message of February 24 stated: The *Giornale d'Italia*, in a special edition, gives currency to a report that Signor Mussolini has decided to recall the Italian Minister in Vienna. The foregoing step is a sequel to protests in the Austrian Chamber against the alleged oppression of the Austrian minority in South Tyrol. The Austrian Chancellor, Dr. Seipel, has, in fiery language, appealed to Italy and the world on this alleged oppression.

A Vienna message of February 25 reported: The Italian Minister has informed the Chancellor that acting on telegraphic instructions from the Italian Government he is going to Rome to present a report. The recall of the Italian Minister is believed in Parliamentary circles to be chiefly to enable him to inform Mussolini more closely on the Austrian attitude on the South Tyrol question. No anxiety is felt concerning any breach of Italo-Austrian political relations. It is argued that Dr. Seipel's speech in Parliament was strictly within proper limits for a discussion of international questions, and Italy has no reason to feel that its national honour is affected.

GENEVA COUNCIL.

SIR AUSTEN CHAMBERLAIN ATTENDS LEAGUE.

London, Mar. 3. Sir Austen Chamberlain has left for Geneva to attend the League Council.—Reuter.

London, March 3. The Foreign Secretary, Sir Austen Chamberlain, accompanied by his private secretary, Mr. Walford Serby, left London for Geneva this morning, to attend the meeting of the League of Nations which opens on Monday.

During the course of the meetings of the Council, Sir Ronald Lindsay, until lately Ambassador to Berlin, and who has been appointed to succeed Sir William Tyrrell as Permanent Under-Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, will visit Geneva. He will attend the Council meetings.—British Wireless.

SHEIK ON WARPATH.

MUCH CONCERN IN IRAK TERRITORIES.

London, March 3.

The situation created by the warlike activities of the Wahabis on the Irak frontier appears to be causing increased concern to the British authorities in Irak.

A Basra message states that the second most powerful Sheik in Nejd is believed to be preparing to advance against the Koweit and Irak frontier, with 20,000 men.

An armoured train is now running from Basra to the Royal Air Force base at Ur-of-the-Chaldees. A new Air Force base has been established at Koweit, where two squadrons are concentrated.

The naval sloop Cyclamen and Lupin have joined the cruiser Emerald in the bay.—Reuter.

RUBBER QUESTION.

CEYLON'S PETITION.

Colombo, Mar. 3.

The Lowcountry Products Association has forwarded to Mr. L. C. Amery a resolution asking for the immediate abolition of rubber restriction, declaring that restriction has led to a considerable increase in production and reclamation, and large extensions of production in foreign countries.

Every increase in the demand has been met by an increase in the non-British production.

Production is again getting ahead of consumption, and unless an extension of production in foreign countries, which is being stimulated and helped by restriction, is checked by the latter's immediate removal, the injury to industry in Ceylon will be irreparable, especially if corporate buying be introduced, and if the antagonising of consuming leads to protection against Ceylon, which has already got far behind foreign competition.—Reuter.

STORM DAMAGE.

TRANS-CAUCASIA SWEEP BY ELEMENTS.

Moscow, Mar. 3.

Railway traffic was interrupted and telegraphic communications between many towns cut as the result of violent snowstorms in Trans-Caucasia.

There have been serious avalanches in the mountains. A house at Batum collapsed under the weight of the snow, and five people were killed and four seriously injured.—Reuter.

London, March 3. "One-armed" Sutton, prior to his departure for Vancouver, where he is going to settle, said that since he had left China eight months ago, Marshal Chang Tso-lin had twice implored him to return, but he had decided to keep out of it while he was safe. There were others in China who coveted his position.—Reuter.



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MARSHAL LI LEAVES.

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for the Felying. The gunboat left port shortly afterwards. Members of the Executive and Legislative Councils, Navy and Army officers and many other prominent European and Chinese residents were on the pier for the official farewell to Marshal Li.

FINAL GREETINGS.

Marshal Li's Thanks.

The following wireless communications were exchanged between Marshal Li Chai-sum and H. E. the Governor at the moment of the former's departure for Canton: His Excellency the Governor, Government House, Hongkong.

I have the honour to thank Your Excellency most heartily for your courtesies and kindnesses extended to me on my formal visit to Hongkong. I wish to assure you of the very sincere welcome of the Provincial Government and the people when you return my official call in Canton. The result of our mutual visits will certainly lead to improving international relations and encouraging commercial intercourse. My heart goes with this telegram.—Li Chai-sum.

His Excellency Marshal Li Chai-sum, on Board the Felying. Many thanks for your telegram. Your very welcome visit has re-established the traditional amity between Canton and Hongkong in an unmistakable manner and upon a basis so firm that we hope it may never be shaken. The presence of Madame Li Chai-sum and Mrs. Li Man-yun added a touch of personal friendship and sets a charming precedent for the future. My wife and I look forward with pleasant expectation to our visit to Canton on Friday next.—Clementi.

BRITISH TRADE.

GOOD BUSINESS DONE AT THE FAIR.

London, March 3. The London and Birmingham sections of the British Industries Fair closed last night. Over 100,000 buyers and 30,000 of the public visited the London section, the overseas buyers representing sixty countries.

Mr. Douglas Hacking, the Parliamentary Secretary of the Overseas Trade Department, which organises the fair, said last night that he had received on all sides assurances that business this year had been better than at the last fair. The great majority of exhibitors expressed satisfaction with their results. An evidence of this, provisional applications for space for the 1929 fair are being received from exhibitors in great numbers, and over 100,000 square feet has already been applied for. In the pottery and glass-ware sections, for instance, 20,000 square feet has already been earmarked out of 25,000 occupied this year.

Manufacturers regard the fair as affording a remarkable opportunity for introducing novelties of all kinds to the markets of the world.

The business done at the heavy section of the fair at Birmingham has exceeded all previous records.—British Wireless.

OBITUARY.

MR. JAMES KIDD.

London, Mar. 3.

Mr. James Kidd, the Conservative Member of Parliament for Linlithgow, died suddenly last night, after addressing a local political meeting. Mr. Kidd complained of feeling unwell during the meeting, and after resting in an anteroom he drove with his wife to consult a doctor. He collapsed, and died in the motor-car.

Mr. Kidd's majority over the Labour candidate, Mr. Shinwell, at the general election, was 640.—British Wireless.

[The late Mr. James Kidd, a solicitor by profession, was born in 1872. After leaving Edinburgh University, he took up a successful law practice, and later stood for Parliament in the Conservative interest, being representative for Linlithgowshire from 1918 to 1922, and again since 1924. He was Parliamentary Secretary to the Scottish Board of Health in 1922.]

Ex-Tsarist Official.

Paris, Mar. 3.

The death has occurred of M. Lapukhin, a former Tsarist police chief, and notable for his unmasking of the notorious agent provocateur Azoff.—Reuter.

Noted Dutch Painter.

The Hague, Mar. 3.

The death has occurred of the noted painter Jan Toorop.—Reuter.

RUSSIA & GERMANY.

MOSCOW PRESS CRITICISES COMMERCIAL TREATY.

Moscow, March 3.

The tenth anniversary of the signing of the Treaty of Brest-Litovsk is signalled by newspaper articles declaring that the Russo-German commercial negotiations have hitherto been encountering snags.

The Izvestia opposes a German suggestion to establish an export bank, on the ground that the bank is unnecessary, as neither side proposes to revise the Russo-German trade treaty embodying recognition of the Soviet monetary system.

The Pravda protests against the efforts in the German press to ascribe a "sensational character" to the negotiations, as an event on which the fate of the Soviet depends.—Reuter.

CHANCE FOR SOVIET.

SWEDEN GRANTS BUSINESS CONCESSION.

Stockholm, March 3.

The Riksdag has adopted a Government Bill approving of an agreement regarding the rights and duties of the Soviet trade delegation to Stockholm.

The opponents, who included the ex-Premier Hammerskjold, objected to the conferment of extra-territorial rights on forty Soviet officials.

The Foreign Minister assured the Conservative leader, Trygger, in the Upper Chamber, that the agreement would be denounced if the trade delegation were found to be working outside their legitimate objects.—Reuter.

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All broken, chafed, and damaged goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on any Tuesdays and Fridays between the hours of 10.45 a.m. and noon within the free storage period. No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the steamer's Godown, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 7th March will be subject to rent.

All claims against the Steamer must be presented to the undersigned on or before the 21st March or they will not be recognised. No Fire Insurance will be effected. BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

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All claims against the Vessel must be presented to the Undersigned on or before 15th March, 1928 or they will not be recognised.

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All broken, chafed and damaged goods are to be left in the Godown, where they will be examined by Messrs. Anderson and Ash on the 8th March, 1928, at 10 a.m.

All claims against the vessel must be presented to the Undersigned before the 12th March, 1928, or they will not be recognised.

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KASHMIR	8,985	17th Mar.	M'los, L'don, A'werp & Hull
KARMALA	9,128	24th Mar.	Marseilles & London
*MIRZAPORE	6,715	27th Mar.	Straits, Colombo & Bombay
MANTUA	10,946	31st Mar.	Marseilles & London
*KALYAN	9,144	7th Apr.	Marseilles, L'don & A'werp
*MONGOLIA	16,504	14th Apr.	Marseilles & London
*NAGPORE	5,283	21st Apr.	Marseilles & London
MOREA	10,953	28th Apr.	Marseilles & London
KASHGAR	9,005	12th May	M'los, L'don, A'werp & Hull
*JEPPORE	5,318	19th May	Marseilles & London
MALWA	10,986	26th May	Bombay, Marseilles & London
DELTA	8,097	9th June	M'los, L'don, A'werp & Hull
NOVARA	6,989	16th June	Bombay, Marseilles & London
RANPURA	16,601	23rd June	Bombay, Marseilles & London
KHYBER	9,114	7th July	M'los, L'don, A'werp & Hull

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SHIRALA	7,341	9th Mar.	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Osaka
*NAGPORE	5,283	12th Mar.	S'hai, Kobe & Yokohama
MANTUA	10,946	16th Mar.	Shanghai
LAHORE	5,252	19th Mar.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
SANTHIA	7,754	21st Mar.	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Osaka
TAKADA	6,949	28th Mar.	Amoy, Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama
MOREA	10,953	30th Mar.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
ARAFURA	6,000	3rd Apr.	Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama
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TALAMBA	8,018	11th Apr.	Amoy, S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Osaka
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RANPURA	10,601	25th May	S'hai, Kobe & Yokohama
NANKIN	7,058	4th June	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
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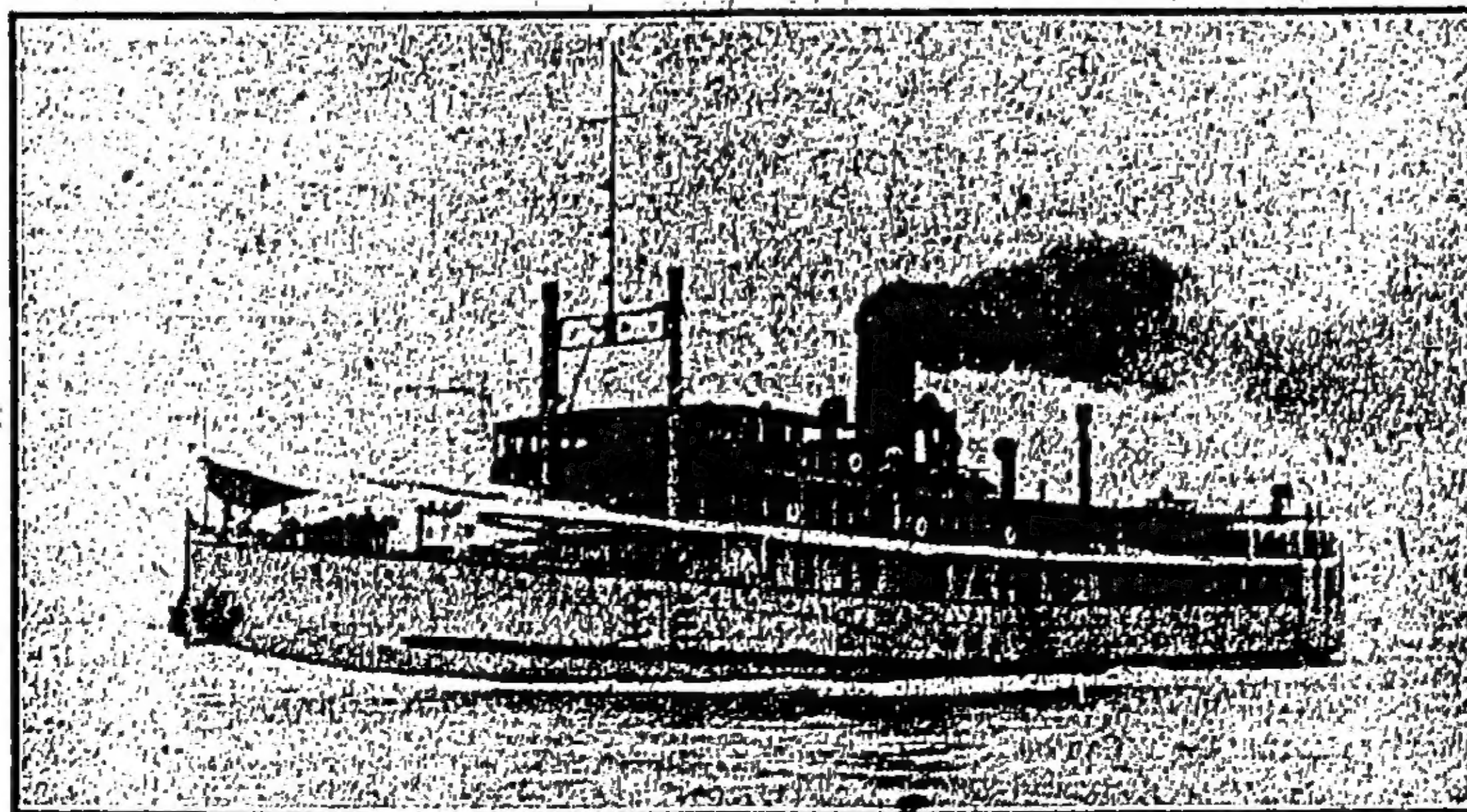
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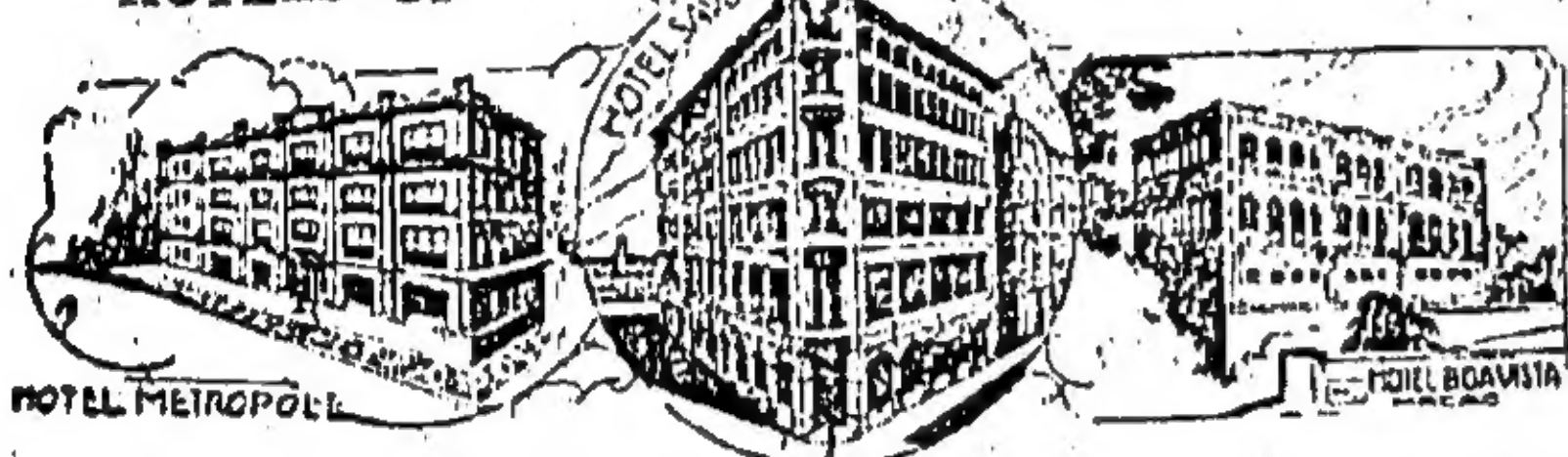
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honour, and where the label will
state that it is the first heavier-
than-air craft in the history of
the world to accomplish a sustained
and free flight under its own
power and carrying a man."

London, Mar. 4.
The Sunday Times says that the
Wright machine is at present at
the South Kensington Museum be-
ing dismantled.—*Reuter.*

ZINOVIEFF LETTER
DISCLOSURES.

(Continued from Page 1.)

Recently, the committee presided
over by Sir Warren Fisher, in-
vestigated the matter and it is
considered unlikely that any use-
ful purpose would be served by a
further inquiry.

"Daily Mail" Knowledge.

The question of how the Daily
Mail became possessed of a copy
of the Zinovieff letter before its
publication by the Government is
answered in a long letter by Sir
Thomas Marlowe. He states that
two days before its publication he
heard of the existence of the letter
from two old and trusted friends.
On the following day he received
copies of the letter from two differ-
ent sources. The Zinovieff letter did
not cost the Daily Mail a single
penny and the gentlemen from
whom he received the copies would
have been affronted if he had
offered money for the information
they supplied.

Sir Thomas Marlowe adds that
he had never to his knowledge
seen Mr. J. D. Gregory, nor had
any connexion with him, direct or
indirect.

Mr. MacDonald Sympathetic.

In a speech in his constituency
last night, Mr. Ramsay Mac-
donald referring to the result of
the franc case inquiry said the
punishment of those found guilty
of the most culpable folly had been
swift and terribly severe.

He considered from a personal
point of view, the punishment was
excessive, but he also considered
the needs of the Service such that
no punishment less than that given
could sensibly be regarded as
adequate.—*British Wireless.*

WAR ON SWABUE
COMMUNISTS.

(Continued from Page 1.)

The 11th Army is now largely in
Canton, but part of the 26th
Brigade is left here to be at the
disposal of the Defence coming
down from Changchow and Amoy.
—*Our Own Correspondent.*

General Tang Ying-wah,
Commander of the 5th Army and Chief
of the Canton Police Force, is not
likely to resign from the latter
post, it is now reported.

Marshal Li Chai-sun appointed
him to lead the Canton Army
against the Communists and band-
its in East River districts, and
it was thought General Tang
would resign the post of Chief of
Police to enable him to concen-
trate his attention on the expedi-
tion.

It is learned that General Tang
has been allowed one month to
complete the elimination of the
"Reds," while Mr. Wong Kung-
chung and Mr. Chan Lung-yan
will jointly conduct the affairs of
the Public Safety Bureau, the
Headquarters of the Canton
Police.

Washington, Feb. 6.—Following
a suggestion outlined by Comman-
der Burney, a Bill was introduced
into the House of Representatives
to-day authorising the Postmaster-
General to contract for mails by
dirigible. The minimum trips are
to be 2,000 miles, and the minimum
rate \$3 dollars (12s.) per lb.—*Ex-
change.*

FOG DELAYS.

"ON LEE" REFLOATS AFTER
GOING AGROUND.

The adverse weather conditions
in the Delta continued over the
week-end, impeding shipping gen-
erally and resulting in delay to
both the s.s. Kong Ning and s.s.
On Lee.

The Kong Ning arrived on Sun-
day, more than 24 hours late,
having been compelled to anchor
for a considerable period.

The On Lee, sailing from Hong-
kong on Friday evening, went
ashore in dense fog and remained
aground for nearly 24 hours,
being unable to complete the round
trip within schedule time. She
arrived here at 9.15 p.m. on Sun-
day, her scheduled time being
midnight on Saturday.

The Master, Captain A. Fernan-
dez, states that the ship grounded
close to Stanch Island (Sa Tau
Sha) on March 3rd, at 7 a.m.
The armed launch, H.M.S. Nessus,
was quickly in attendance and
made two attempts to tow the
vessel off, without result. She
remained standing by, meanwhile
communicating with Kongmoon.

The On Lee refloated at 11.15
p.m. the same day. Meanwhile,
arrangements had been made be-
tween H.M.S. Nessus and H.M.S.
Robin, at Kongmoon, for the pro-
vision of lighters and junks from
that port, for the transference of
passengers, numbering more than
700. The On Lee has suffered no
damage and will sail on schedule
at 7 p.m. to-day.

The master expresses thanks to
the Commanding Officer and
crew of H. M. S. Nessus
for assistance rendered and also to
the Commanding Officer of H.M.S.
Robin for arrangements made with
the Commissioner of Customs at
Kongmoon for the transfer of pas-
sengers.

The Kong Ning, Tai Hing and
other vessels on the West River
run, have been considerably de-
layed, but there are no other
groundings reported, the hold-
ups in all cases being due to fog
and anchoring for clear weather.
It is announced that registra-
tion difficulties having been over-
come, the Wing On will resume on
the Kongmoon run at 7 p.m. to-
morrow.

FORMER SHANTUNG
SOLDIER.ARMS POSSESSION CASE
FAILS.

Yesterday, a Shantung ex-sol-
dier was taken into custody from
the s.s. Borneo and this morning
charged, before Mr. W. Schofield,
with being in possession of four
revolvers.

It was stated by Sergeant Bar-
nicle that the defendant occupied a
bed space between the fore and
after holds. In a beam at the
head of his bed were found the
revolvers. When questioned by
the searcher, the defendant said
that he was taking the arms to
Yunnan to a friend. The search-
er, however, spoke Cantonese.

His Worship said that the re-
volvers were really found in the
ship's timber near the defendant's
bed. The evidence against him
was very weak.

The defendant was discharged,
and the police were instructed to
see that he left the Colony.

FOR THE NATIONALIST
ARMY.MORE UNITS SENT TO THE
FRONT.

Shanghai, Mar. 5.

It is reported that Marshal
Chiang Kai-shek has ordered cer-
tain details of the Chekiang Pro-
vincial Defence Force and two
artillery units of the Kiangnan
Battery to be despatched to
Hsuechow to join the Northern
Expeditionary Army.

Marshal Chiang and General Ho
Ying-ching left for Nanking
yesterday at 11 p.m. by special
train.—*Nam Chung Pao.*

HOW MUCH DO YOU KNOW?

The following are the replies to
to-day's questions:—

1. The chair used by Charles I. at his trial
has been found, at Mortons-in-the-Marsh,
Gloucestershire. 2. "L'Arlequin" published
in French, German, English, Italian, and
Spanish. 3. The volcano island in Honda
Barril, between Sumatra and Java. 4. By
travelling up the back so that he may look
backward under the foot of the sail. 5. The
crow has silvery black "whiskers" but the
rook's face is featherless. 6. Admiral Sir
Thomas Hardy, whose tablet dated 1785 is in
Poole's Corner. 7. That of the clergy. 8. 250,
250,000. 9. The King's head is smaller and
the neck shorter. 10. The Bible listed by
Pope Sixtus V. in which the many errors
were corrected by scraps of paper pasted over
the text. 11. A gun used in German East
Africa, which was cast in 1880. 12. In
Ceylon.

ITALY'S NEW
LEGIONS.THE DUCE'S ADDRESS TO
BLACKSHIRTS.

AS SHOCK TROOPS.

Rome, Feb. 1.

To celebrate the fifth anniver-
sary of the creation of the Na-
tional Militia or "Blackshirt"
Army, Signor Mussolini addressed
this morning 500 superior officers
of the corps in the new "Musso-
lini Barracks" in Rome.

The Duce, addressing the Con-
suls, that is the colonels of the
corps, himself wearing his uni-
form as Commander-in-Chief of
the Militia, spoke as follows:

"With the elimination of all our
enemies and the committing to the
flames of anti-Fascist militias,
our political tasks have logically
changed to military tasks. I con-
ceived the plan of forming a
Militia, as also the Grand Council,
on January 12, 1923. The scheme
became law in the following Feb-
ruary.

"The Militia has become the
great armed force of the Fascist
State. Its discipline and organi-
sation have been perfected and
its armament with rifles will soon
be completed. From the extreme
confines of the desert and from
the waters of our seas to the
heights of the mountains, it ser-
ves as the arm of the revo-
lution, the vigilant eye of the
regime.

"The Militia has been charged
with land and air defence and
undergoes preliminary military
and naval instruction, so that each
year's levies before pass into
the Army serve in the National
Militia. I insist that the com-
manders of the Legions must de-
vote themselves to looking after
the preliminary military and naval
education of the Italian people.

Disdain of Danger.

"On our instructions the Chief
of Staff of the Army has forced
the problem of the organic em-
ployment of the Militia in case
of war, and has solved that prob-
lem. I am sure that the Legions
will merit honour thus done them
by preparing themselves to be
assault troops, with bayonets be-
tween teeth, bombs in hand, and
sovereign disdain of danger in
their hearts.

"You know many people hate us
in the world, both as Italy and as
a regime. We must be ready to
defend one and the other."

The Duce then read a message
to the King, saying that the 500
officers of the Militia, convoked at
Rome, affirmed their devotion to
his Majesty. The message con-
cluded: "The voluntary Militia,
with its 166 Legions, only asks to
serve fraternally with the other
armed forces, your Majesty—
the Fascist regime, and the power
of the country."

Future of Fascist Grand Council.

Rome, Jan. 31.

At last night's meeting of the
Fascist Grand Council it is un-
derstood that the relations be-
tween the party and Parliament
were debated. Signor Rocco pre-
sented a project, the final ex-
amination of which was postponed
till next Thursday. The forth-
coming Bill, I learn, will define
the position of the Grand Council,
which, though the supreme ex-
ecutive body of the Fascist State,
has at present no juridical stand-
ing. It is believed that the new
Bill will recognise it as the chief
directive organ of the State.

The Senate will not be reform-
ed, and it is assumed that rep-
resentatives of the labour corpora-
tions, masters and men, will be
included. The future Chamber
will contained 400 members.

AIRCRAFT IN PUNITIVE
WARFARE."FIRE BRIGADE RAPIDITY
OF ACTION."

A strong case for the use of
aircraft in punitive operations
against tribesmen was made out
by Wing-Commander R. H. Peck
in a paper on "Aircraft in Small
Wars," read before the Royal
United Service Institution. Air
Marshal Sir John Salmond was in
the chair.

Wing-Commander Peck pointed
out that aircraft, by their "fire-
brigade rapidity of action," were
able to gain their effect without
inflicting heavy casualties or
causing animosity among the
tribesmen.

It was essential, he added, when
air action was contemplated, to
give the air officer commanding
full powers to act as he thought
best. On recent occasions the ad-
vantages of the rapidity of air
action had been lost through de-
lays in getting authority for
action. Such delays were crip-
pling and entailed far more action
in the long run.

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